

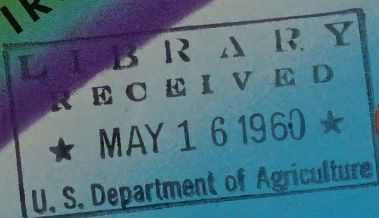
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THE COLOR CATALOG
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IN RE-BLOOMING IRIS and IRIS FOR YEAR-ROUND BLOOM

Yes indeed! Fun and Features for Everyone in This IRIS BUYER'S GUIDE FOR 1960

Easy-to-Grow BEARDED IRIS Only!

I now grow and offer only BEARDED Iris as only these are completely cold-hardy, widely adaptable, and of the easiest possible culture in all parts of the United States. I offer by far the world's largest array of these Bearded Iris, in 20 different types and new races, and ALL can be grown with the same culture, the simplest possible, as outlined briefly on page 23, and in further detail on cultural directions sent with all orders.

WHERE TO FIND IT — OR

What Do YOU Want In Iris?

(Also see complete alphabetical INDEX on page 43)

This Catalog-Guidebook is necessarily written for many types of people and to supply many diverse needs. But here is a bit of helpful guidance that will lead you directly to the guides, listings and offers of most interest to YOU personally.

FUN FOR EVERY ONE — This catalog abounds with fun-provoking diversions and activities to keep you entertained while you learn more about Iris and plan how to bring the rainbow right down into your garden. For example: **Secret Varieties**, page 24; **Sweepstakes Contest** and free **Premiums**, p. 20; interesting and pertinent poems and quotations on various pages.

YEAR-ROUND BLOOM — Or as close to this as your climate will permit. See chart of blooming seasons for different types of Iris on page 42. Re-Bloomers start on page 4. Easiest way to get continuous year-round bloom is to order all 6 of money-saving collections on back of catalog envelope; 67 Iris at very special price of **\$30.95**

UNUSUAL IRIS — Everyone is searching for something different. And this is exactly the place to look, for this catalog is literally teeming with just such Iris that I have brought together for you from the uttermost corners of the earth. See, for instance, my **Novelties and Rarities** on page 35; the explanation of the 6 new races of Tall Bearded Iris on page 28; the low-growing **Medians** and the darling little **Dwarfs** on page 41. For a complete guide to the new colors, in every rainbow tint, see my exclusive **COLOR GUIDE**, in full color on page 42.

NEW INTRODUCTIONS and AWARD WINNERS — Directly opposite you'll find a whole page of 1960 introductions in 7 types of Iris. I have mentioned the A.I.S. awards in hundreds of descriptions all thru the catalog. Those recently winning the highest award of all, the **Dykes Medal**, are assembled for your consideration on p. 28.

BEST MONEY-SAVING OFFERS FOR 1960

For Beginners in Modern Iris — Easy-Does-It, page 22; My Favorites, p. 2; Bargains for Beginners, p. 22-23; and various collections on my catalog envelope, especially my intriguing "Rainbow of Surprises."

For Advanced Iris Enthusiasts — Reduced-price collections everywhere thru the catalog, signaled with yellow backgrounds; Dykes Medal Collection, p. 28; My Favorites in the larger amounts will include some wonderful bargains in newer Iris.

IRIS GROWING FOR A GREAT BOOST IN YOUR DAILY LIVING — Here is an unsolicited testimonial that expresses better than I can this far-reaching way in which Iris can influence your everyday life:

"This new enterprise and your assistance in it has given me a great boost in my daily living. I feel like a new person and it is a great joy to come home from work in the evening knowing the iris are all around me. It makes a new place of this home. And as I am alone most of the time, I was always lonely—I am not now with this iris project. It is really wonderful. And I have you to thank for it."—Carol Ely Harper, Seattle, Wash.

Feature Offerings and Star Performers for 1960

Garden visitors frequently ask me what varieties I particularly recommend in each type or race of Iris. I can see that, when there are so many to choose from, selection can be quite difficult. So this year, to make it real easy for you to choose, I have brilliantly spotlighted in color all thru this catalog, as **FEATURE OFFERINGS**, what I consider my finest varieties in each major type of the popular inexpensive Iris. And for those who impatiently yearn for a taste of the alluring new creations, only recently released by the country's leading hybridizers, I signalize my recommendations of these in starred boxes, as **STAR PERFORMERS**. Many of both are shown to you in full color.

Be on the lookout for these all thru the catalog, and no matter what else you order this year, be sure to include some of these. Think what they will do for your garden! Look what a superb and varied collection you would have if you were to order my **FEATURE OFFERING** in all 13 types and races in which I offer these. So that you can do just that, and not have to put a mortgage on the house, I'll send all 13 of my **FEATURE OFFERINGS** (a \$28.75 value) for only **\$18.75** (save \$10.00) and I'll include as a **FREE** extra your choice of ANY ONE of the 13 Star Performers, except Giant Rose and Pink Fulfillment, which are exceedingly scarce and likely to be sold out soon. It'll be a lucky day when you plant these 14 Iris in YOUR garden!

21 NEW Color Plates

Yes, this year I have for you no less than 21 brand NEW reproductions of my own natural color photographs to add to all those I had before. To be certain of getting typical flowers from the very same stock that I ship to you, I take ALL of my own color photographs in my new studio, adjacent to our Iris garden. I never stoop to using stock pictures and all of the color plates in this catalog are exclusive, appearing here only. I take great pains to personally correct the rendering of the colors and make all pictures as close to the actual flowers as can be done with the very latest improvements in color lithography. Thus a leisurely arm-chair excursion thru this catalog is almost like a trip thru my garden. I hope you enjoy it. Come again next year and see more new beauty unfolding before your eyes.

FLOWERS FOR HAPPINESS

Ours is a business in bringing flowers and happiness to people everywhere. I have many delighted customers in every state, and in foreign lands throughout the world.

How You Gain By Ordering REAL EARLY

1. By ordering in the spring or early summer you are practically certain of getting all of those choice varieties you particularly want, and that may be sold out if you wait. I have large stocks now, but by midsummer I am likely to be out of several dozen varieties.

2. On orders of \$15.00 or more you get an **EXTRA \$5.00 Premium**, beyond the regular free Premium, if you mail your order within 15 days. See page 20.

3. You may take advantage of my exclusiveE "2 for 1" and "3 for 1" **SECRET VARIETY** offers before my stocks of these 60 choice varieties are exhausted. You just can't beat this game of fun and profit. (See pages 24 and 20.)

4. By ordering before July 1 you may take part in my great 1960 **IRIS LOVERS' SWEEPSTAKES**, in which you may win Iris worth 3 times as much as the sum of all your orders. (See page 20 and bottom of order blanks.)

5. By getting your order in real early, you get delivery at beginning of our 3-month shipping season. This insures well-established plants in your garden for finest spring bloom. Early summer planting of Iris is very desirable everywhere, and is quite necessary for the best results in the colder parts of the country.

SO DON'T DELAY — IT WILL PAY YOU WELL TO MAIL THAT ORDER TODAY

YOU MAY ORDER IRIS ON CREDIT

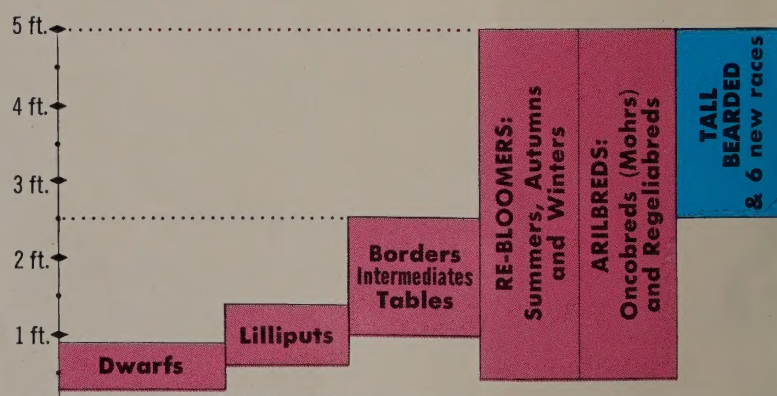
If you do not have sufficient ready cash available during the spring months to enable you to order as much as you really want and to enjoy all the very substantial benefits outlined above of early ordering, send in your full order right away, anyway. I want to help you get all that is coming to you, in line with my policy: "MORE FOR YOUR MONEY." If your early order is \$10.00 or more it will qualify you to use my low discounted prices all through the catalog, and you will also have all of the other very substantial benefits of early ordering outlined above, and on page 20. Send your payment as your funds become available, any time before July 1.

Don't Overlook These 9 Offers!

MY FAVORITES — You'll find "MY FAVORITE" offers all thru this GUIDEBOOK, at the end of 9 types of Iris. Each year hundreds of letters ask my assistance in selecting the most outstanding varieties and best buys for the year. So, in an effort to be helpful, I'll agree to work out for YOU a select group of my personal favorites of any of 9 types of Iris where you find "MY FAVORITE" heading. In each case I will take fully into account that most people have limited funds, want to get just as much as they possibly can for their money. So I will not include any scarce varieties, but those very choice kinds (all labeled) where my stocks will permit filling your order with a generosity that will amaze you. In fact, I'll GUARANTEE you'll get greater value this way than by selecting varieties yourself under any of my wonderful discount offers. I'm making these collections available in units of \$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00 and \$50.00 to fit all pocketbooks. The \$10.00 group is my main feature, as this is where the really choice ones begin to appear. Take my word for it, and try at least 1 or 2 of these offers, or better, 3 at the very special price; I know you'll be back soon for more. See these pages now: 9, 10, 15, 19, 27, 34, 39, 40 and 41. Any 3 \$5.00 units for \$12.95; any 3 \$10 units for \$24.95. Orders containing My Favorites are shipped mostly in late July and early August; later if desired.

In Planning Your Garden Beds — Use This Chart to Select

BEARDED IRIS TYPES BY HEIGHTS



Note how very limited you are in available heights if you have only Tall Bearded varieties, as shown in BLUE. Rounding out your Iris plantings with other interesting types of Iris makes it much easier and more exciting to plan attractive, long-blooming garden beds. For while you are arranging by heights you are automatically getting various blooming times, as shown in chart on page 42. Arrange your Iris beds with the low Dwarfs and Lilliputs as edgings along paths or next to lawn. Farther back, use gradually taller and taller kinds for the most effective displays and full visibility. Different varieties of the same type vary greatly in height, especially in the twice-blooming Summers, Autumns and Winters. See first line of descriptions for heights of individual varieties.

ALL WHO ORDER THIS YEAR GET 1961 CATALOG

How do you stay on my mailing list and get the new catalogs regularly as issued? All you have to do is to order from my catalogs as they are received from year to year. This keeps your card in my active Customer File, and each time you order you get the next catalog automatically without request, and without the usual 25c charge.

My New Beauty=Blessed Introductions for 1960

HERE'S VARIETY FOR YOU: Gone are the days when about all you could look forward to each year in the way of new Iris introductions were color variants of familiar Tall Bearded Iris. The 1960 new introductions presented for your approval on this page represent **seven different types and races of Iris**—variety galore, to please every taste. And, you know, variety is "the spice of life"!

FOUR REAL FIRSTS FOR 1960: This 1960 edition of my catalog presents no less than **four** real firsts or innovations in the Iris world in a single year. Ushering in the breathlessly-awaited **SPOON AGE in Iris** are the highly unique and decorative **SPOONED PREMIERE** and **SPOONED FANTOM**, both shown in full color on the front cover. Also on the cover is the world's very first lacy horned Iris, **HORNED LACE**, a delight to everyone, and the most beautiful horned Iris ever created. A third major first this year is **HORNED TANGERINE**, the first Iris to have both horns and bright tangerine beards, a most effective combination. And last, but surely not least, I present this year the very first **pink** horned Iris **ever** to be seen in this world, **PINK UNICORN**. It has been long in the making, but this year it makes its debut, in color below.

DAWN OF THE SPOON AGE IN IRIS

Yes, the year A.D. 1960 will go down in history as commemorating the very beginning of the public distribution of the first two members of the enchanting new race of Spooned Iris. These are such as to stimulate and excite the imagination of Iris lovers everywhere, and to call forth visions of completely new forms for the Iris of the future—totally new conceptions in Iris of compelling beauty. "I suggest that you refer to my two pages of **Horned Iris** (pages 12 & 13) for interesting sidelights on the evolution, characteristics and hybridizing of this newest of Iris races.

SPOONED PREMIERE (Austin '60) ML-34" Behold in **life-like color**, on the front cover, the world's first Spooned Iris, and the finest one in existence. An imaginative, almost magical development of my world-famous Horned Iris, and one destined to take the world by storm once it becomes generally distributed. Here the ends of the three horns have been **mystically enlarged and subtly transformed into broad decorative spoons**, adding a charming embellishment no Iris has ever had before. Standards nicely arched, light crimson-red, becoming reddish copper at base. Falls semi-flaring, deep crimson. Spooned horn crimson, arising at the end of a bronze-gold beard. Quite unsurpassed as **THE** Iris to plant at the very entrance to your garden, to catch every visitor by **surprise** as he enters unsuspectingly, with no thought of finding an Iris so far advanced in decorative possibilities. Sets seed; pollen variable, often plentiful. **How can you wait?** [Austin Horned Seedling J-910 X Horned Rosyred] See poem, page 12.....

Regularly \$50.00; on \$75 order **\$35.00**

SPOONED FANTOM (Austin '60) EML-34" A fascinating but earlier stage than Spooned Premiere in the evolution of the Spooned Iris. As may be seen in my **color photograph** on the front cover, the spoons at the ends of the long horns are considerably smaller, but **usually stand erect in a very striking manner**. The different flowers may vary from spooned to horned, but all are so delightful, and this Iris is so eagerly sought by breeders and fanciers alike, that I am introducing it at once so everyone can enjoy it now. I am using Spooned Fantom heavily in my own crossing and **set 14 pods on it in 1959**. Pollen scarce, yet often quite fertile. Sweetly fragrant. Excellent branching. **Now it's your turn to try it.** [JS-M176B X 638] **You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words.** See page 24.....

Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95**

A LACY LOVELY

LACY LANTERN (Austin '60) VL-38" A seedling of my **HORNED SKYLARK** and a full sister to **Horned Lace** (introduced at right above) that is heavily and very pleasingly laced but has no horns—at least not yet, but they may pop out unexpectedly, judging from the behavior of other Iris with horned parents. Standards bright yellow, with top edges heavily crimped and laced. Falls semi-flaring, light yellow with cream flush in center, ends heavily laced. The extra heavy substance enables it to withstand sun and storms. Blooms very late, extending Iris season 2 weeks. [Horned Skylark X Ruffled Apache].....

Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95**

TULIP-FLOWERED and FLAT-BEARED Iris

CLEMATIFLORA (Vallette '60)—See Tulip-flower Novelties, page 35.

JAPANESE (Vallette '60) and **PENTAGONAL** (Vallette '60)—See Flats, page 16.

PINK UNICORN—The **FIRST** pink horned Iris.



NEWEST IN HORNED IRIS

HORNED LACE (Austin '60) M-38" In the opinion of several who have been privileged to see this new creation, it surpasses all other Iris in **sheer beauty**. My **color photograph**, on the front cover, is so like the shimmering reality that a description is hardly needed. Yes, here is beauty personified—a real "**Beauty-Blessed**" creation! This world's first combination of prominent horns with heavily laced petal edges produces an effect that simply captivates every viewer. **Everyone** wants a start of it! Unexcelled for growing for exhibition at flower shows where it is sure to be a sensation. Stalks have good branching and flower placement. Pollen varies from fair to good; **an extremely heavy seed-setter**, so will be in constant demand among the breeders. [Horned Skylark X Ruffled Apache].....

Regularly \$35.00; on \$50 order **\$25.00**

HORNED LACE

*Horned Irises are quite unique . . .
This horned one edged with lace
Has rarity that florists seek*

*And most appealing grace.
The HORNED LACE Iris blooms are spun
Of gold skeins purloined from the sun.*
—George Nicholas Rees

PINK UNICORN (Austin '60) M-36" Every year since I introduced the original Unicorn, back in 1954, I have been literally besieged with requests for a **PINK** horned Iris. Pink is the most popular color in Iris, so it is no wonder that everyone has been yearning for a real pink horned beauty. Some breeding objectives can be realized in a very short time, while others take much longer. Achieving the first good pink horned Iris has taken 16 years since my first efforts with the progenitors of this strain back in 1944. But at last, I am able to offer it to you, and to present below a life-like reproduction of my **color photograph**. Again the picture tells the story and words are almost superfluous. But I must point out that, unlike all other horned Iris, this has horns that are sometimes **feathered or forked in a manner most intriguing, and never before seen**. It takes only a small flight of the imagination to visualize, as developments from this bare beginning, highly decorative horns that are branched and frilled to a remarkable degree. Who will be the first one to produce them? **Will it be you?** If so, do let me in on your progress, and perhaps YOUR Iris will appear here in color. A dream not too hard to realize. And while you're at it, you're likely to produce some startling tangerine-bearded horned Iris, for it is to be noted that **Twilight Sky** is the pollen parent of **Pink Unicorn**, which is a sister of **Horned Skylark**. So try crossing these two. Has good pollen & sets seed. **You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words.** See page 24. [JS-M-176 x 638] X Twilight Sky].....

Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95**

HORNED TANGERINE (Austin '60) L-34" Introduced as the **world's first tangerine-bearded horned Iris**, and a dandy at that, for the petals are laced to boot. A real stand out as the petal and beard colors are so bright and contrasting that the flowers are quickly spotted clear across the garden. **A very lovely combination**—standards smooth light pink; falls bordered like standards and center flushed with bright pinkish-lavender, deepening around the beard, which is heavy, wide, bright tangerine, ending in slender up-turned deep lavender horn $\frac{3}{4}$ inch long. Well branched. Pollen profuse. [Happy Birthday X Austin No. 6117].....

Regularly \$20; on \$30 order **\$15.00**

HORNED AMETHYST (Austin '60) M-36" One of the most consistent of all horned Iris in producing striking long horns, **usually 1" to 1½" long**, sometimes lightly spooned. A self in scintillating amethyst, of very novel form, with the falls somewhat rolled in from the sides. I let this increase for 3 years before introducing it, so I now have enough stock to offer it **way below usual introductory prices**. Pollen variable; a good seed setter. [JS-M-176B x 638] X Pink Tower].....

Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **only \$3.35**

TWO NEW RED ONCOBREDS

SCARLET BUTTERFLY (Austin '60) E-36" A fascinating Oncobred bringing to the much sought Butterfly Wings pattern a brighter and more attractive coloring. **A red version of renowned Butterfly Wings**. Standards pale red, flushed yellow from base. Falls dark scarlet, with prominent white area around beard. Dark scarlet veins cross this white area, and extend to edges of the scarlet falls. This is the reddest of all Oncobreds, and not only is it red, but it approaches dark **scarlet**, a color sought by Iris breeders for generations. Plentiful pollen. Well branched stalks bearing about 7 flowers. [Butterfly Wings X Rocket].....

Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$11.95**

DEEP CRIMSON (Austin '60) EML-38" Outstanding among Oncobreds for the richness and depth of the crimson-red coloring, **surpassing in redness such fine varieties as Red Joppa and New Look**. Large flowers produced in profusion on remarkably tall stalks for an Oncobred. Starts blooming early and continues to well past midseason. Note parentage and see what a gem you have for hybridizing; lots of pollen. [Pink Formal X Capitola]...Regularly \$10; on \$15 order **\$6.65**

A new TABLE Iris from Our Poet, Geo. Rees

FAIRY FLO (Geo. Rees '60) EM-22" A stunning deep violet-blue Table Iris with lilac-yellow beard. Cointroduced with originator who devoted 10 years to its development. **Just perfect for fetching arrangements**. Try it.Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**

FAIRY FLO

*Applaud arrangement winners who
Rely on Fairy Flo.*

*This pixy periwinkle blue
Emits a feeling glow.*

—George Nicholas Rees

Remember, it is the **NEW** and the **UNUSUAL** that attract attention in your garden.

Here Are the 3 Types of TWICE-BLOOMERS, Or RE-BLOOMING or

World Headquarters for the 3
SUMMER BLOOMERS (pages 4 & 5), AUTUMN BLOOMERS



PINK SYMPHONY — Like this in summer!

Newest and Finest SUMMER Bloomers

Four From Percy Brown and Three of My Own

AUGUST INDIAN (Brown '57) +22" First re-bloomed for originator, Percy Brown, in Mass., on August 19. Later a second stalk on same plant shot up, began blooming Oct. 9; third stalk was up to 2" when frost came Oct. 12. A striking variegata, or bicolor; closed ecru standards, falls lilac-pink, shading to brown at edge. Stalks usually have 3 branches with 6 buds. Pollen abundant. Rhizomes small. [Autumn Twilight X Potawatomi] Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$3.20; 3 for \$8.65**

AUTUMN AFTERNOON (Brown '55) +24" Very pleasing color combination with closed standards in clear apricot yellow, flaring falls in pinkish lavender. Very strong tendency for re-blooming, usually early re-blooming. Percy reports that in '58 this began blooming 1st of Aug., stalks were still coming on in early Oct. Every sizeable rhizome that was established re-bloomed, and even among those that were separated and transplanted in August, three out of five bloomed that same fall. Bloomed heavily here in summer and lightly in fall. As in the case of most of Percy's new remontants, this comes from two of the best of the known re-bloomers; so should prove to be an excellent parent for those working along this line. Sets seed but no pollen. [Sally Ann X Autumn Twilight] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

AUTUMN PRINCESS (Austin '59) +E-32" I call this Autumn Princess as it is like a Summer & Fall Blooming Pagan Princess (in color page 10) which was its seed parent. Usually starts re-blooming in Aug. and blooms quite heavily all thru the fall, often up to Dec. Coloring of this bitone is just a little pinker than Pagan Princess. A fine large flower that has been much admired. In my trial garden it has re-bloomed in Sept., Oct., and Nov., and one year, even in December. [Pagan Princess X Clasmont] Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

DOUBLE DUTY (Austin '59) +VE-32" Yes, this is a real "Double Duty" Iris, and is hard to beat for lengthening out your blooming season at both ends. In the spring it blooms ahead of almost all Tall Bearded; then it blooms again for a long period, usually starting in late Aug. and continues very heavily thru Sept. & Oct., with some blooms thru Nov. & Dec., weather permitting. A lovely light salmon-pink, much like the famous Strathmore; falls creamy buff-pink; beard tangerine. Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

FALL PRIMROSE (Brown '56) +30" My favorite of Percy's new Summer Bloomers. Started blooming here on Aug. 2 and bloomed till Nov., with heaviest bloom in Sept. At Staten Island, New York, it started blooming in late August. In tests so far it has re-bloomed without fail. A primrose yellow self, bright yellow hafts and beard. Sets seed, has abundant pollen. Crossed with other fall bloomers, it is already yielding a fine series of new remontants. [Redwyne X Autumn Twilight] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**

*****Summer Blooming STAR PERFORMER*****

PINK SYMPHONY (Austin '57) +VE-38" This was our pride and joy last summer and fall, for we had Pink Symphony in bloom every day from mid July until mid Nov. I want to point out, however, that it may take a fairly big plot to equal that record, since only a few plants were in bloom at any one time. In a small planting the bloom would probably not be as continuous unless you make conditions very favorable for re-blooming. Feast your eyes on my new color plate and see what you have been missing in YOUR summer Iris garden. Very best of my softly colored flamingo seedlings. Surpasses most flamingos in both effectiveness and size, being 5½" high. Like a greatly improved Strathmore. Imagine a flower nearly twice the size, with a scarlet-tangerine beard much brighter, larger, more prominent as it curves out onto fall much farther than in most varieties. Has yellow hafts, intensified on both sides of brilliant beard. Substance very good, retaining precise styling for a long period. Stems tall, two or three branches and terminal flowers. Pollen abundant. [Pink Sensation X Nelson No. 47] You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24.

*****Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.95; 3 for \$18.75*******
SUMMER SURPRISE (Brown '56) +36" Tallest, best branched of Percy's new "summers." 36" stalks have 5 branches, up to 20 buds. Closed standards delicate ecru; falls lilac pink. Re-bloomed here in mid June & in Mass. in mid Aug. With this height, with its known seed-setting ability, should be top-notch for every hybridizer. [Autumn Twilight x Halloween Night] X Autumn Twilight] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

SCOPE OF MY 1960 OFFERINGS IN RE-BLOOMING IRIS: Country-wide demand for Re-Bloomers has been mounting by leaps and bounds. So for 1960 I have actually doubled my offerings in these double-duty Iris, and present for your approval 8 full pages of Re-Bloomers, with my color photographs of 22 varieties. For past 15 years I have had world's only extensive offerings in re-blooming Iris, but this year I have added 24 re-bloomers and now offer 117 different kinds. In addition, I list 52 varieties as "Available Soon," so there are 169 varieties of Re-Bloomers mentioned in this catalog. They come from 40 different hybridizers scattered over 12 states including Mass., Ill., Utah, New York, Iowa, and Calif.

OUR 1959 SUMMER & FALL IRIS DISPLAYS: Until 1959 we had no full realization of the extent of summer and fall bloom that is possible with existing Iris varieties up here in the northern mountains, at an elevation of 3,000 feet. Last summer we had over 60 varieties in bloom to some extent, several blooming quite heavily. Most outstanding were Pink Symphony and Nappanee. From last September to mid December we had literally thousands of Iris flowers in bloom continuously. I attribute this phenomenal floral spectacle mostly to the many new re-blooming varieties that we have recently introduced or added to our garden. The relatively heavy re-blooming can also be attributed in part to our improved cultural practices, and particularly the use of fertilized irrigation water during dry spells in spring and in summer. Instructions for proper handling of Re-Bloomers are included on cultural sheet packed with all orders.

HOW TO SELECT RE-BLOOMERS TO FIT YOUR CLIMATE: For Mild Climates: Choose at will, among Summers, Early, Mid or Late Autumns, Early Winters, or even Regular Winters that bloom in Mid-winter. For Semi-mild Climates: Try all of the Summers, all 3 types of Autumns, most of the Early Winters, plus some experimenting with Regular Winters. Border-line Climatic Areas: Any Summer or Early or Mid Fall Iris plus some experimenting with Late Fall Iris. For Cold Sections of the East & North: Order mostly Summer and Early Fall Bloomers, plus any Mid Fall Bloomers marked +, explained on next page. The Very Coldest, Most Northern Areas: Select only Summer and Early Fall Bloomers.

Here's What You've Been Waiting For Twice-Blooming — SUMMER BLOOMERS — Pages 4 and 5

World's Only Separate Listing of This Very New and Much Needed Race

HAIR THIS NEW RACE: The interest in Summer Bloomers, and also the number of varieties, has pyramided so rapidly I have established these as a separate race, in their own right. According to my records, and those of many of my customers in various states, these start their SECOND bloom in June, July or August, and then continue blooming to varying degrees on thru the fall. They are, then, classed as "Summer Bloomers" based on the time when they are likely to start re-blooming. In most varieties the tendency for repeat blooming is not yet as strong as that for normal spring bloom, but I am now concentrating my breeding efforts on producing better and even more reliable summer and early fall bloomers. Watch for new introductions in my later catalogs.

AVAILABLE SOON: Cream Crest, Jean Siret, King's Choice, Lieut. de Chavagnac, Martie Everest, Once Mohr, Sound Money, Striped Beauty, Sunset Serenade.

3 Summer Bloomers
All 3 for only \$3.85 ↓



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2-SEASON IRIS

Types of these "Double-Pleasure" Iris (pages 6-9) and WINTER BLOOMERS (pages 10-11)

+ = Recommended for re-blooming in cold climates, as my records indicate that second blooming usually starts before Sept. 30. This symbol also used for all varieties reported to me to re-bloom well in cold climates. Re-blooming cannot be guaranteed, as it depends in part on the care that you give them, and on your local soil and climate. But I pass on to you each year the very latest information on how the many varieties respond in different environments.

FIND THE KINDS BEST ADAPTED TO YOUR LOCAL CONDITIONS: In presenting for your approval such a very extensive listing of Summer, Autumn and Winter Bloomers, I am pioneering a very new subject. These are actually the world's only comprehensive offerings in this field. In any new endeavor there is much yet to be learned, but I do want to point out that while re-blooming is strongly inherent in these particular varieties that I offer, the expression of this characteristic depends on suitable environmental conditions. I have customers in thousands of different communities and naturally cannot predict with certainty from here just which Re-Bloomers will prove best adapted to YOUR local soil and climate.

But YOU can easily make your own tests and find out quickly which kinds re-bloom best for you, and which flowers you prefer. In any climate re-blooming depends mostly on selection of the right varieties and proper care according to directions I supply. Get in on the fun and see how many varieties YOU can get to re-bloom. Then let me know your results. I may soon be offering prizes for the most successful re-blooming gardens in different geographic regions of the country. In my new large-scale hybridization program I am now producing literally thousands of brand new re-blooming seedlings every year. The one or two best and most persistent in re-blooming in each thousand will be saved for nation-wide adaptability tests. As these NEW re-bloomers gradually prove themselves they will be introduced and made generally available in future editions of this catalog. Don't miss them!



PERSIAN PATTERN — Arranger's dream — \$2.00

"SPRING BLOOM" in the FALL: "I wish you could have seen my border of Remontant Iris I got from you, in bloom last fall. It was simply beautiful, starting in August with July Beauty and up until our freeze in early December. It was definitely a 'spring bloom' display. I was so thrilled as I was the only member of our Central Valley Iris Society that had a real show garden!" Mrs. L. P. Hayward, Escalon, Calif.

MELODY LANE — Occasionally re-blooms in summer — \$1.25



AUTUMN DELIGHT (Austin '52) + EM-30" Most continuous, heaviest bloomer of our 175 varieties of re-bloomers. Standards light amethyst pink with silvery tone, arched, gently waved. Falls deep rosy mulberry. Blooms in spring, starts again in mid or late Aug. and blooms for 7 to 10 weeks. Up to 16 buds per stalk, and heights up to 44" in the fall. Not only a very heavy fall bloomer, but also an oddity as it has an in-constant number of standards. While there are usually 3, occasionally there will be just 1 or 2. Delightfully fragrant, pollen abundant. Regularly \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**

AUGUST WAVES (Brown '41) + 22" A pretty neglecta. Re-blooms from August to frost in cold climates or warm ones. Most welcome as Iris bloom is at its lowest ebb in August. Standards pale blue. Falls flaring, rich violet. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

AUTUMN ELF + M-15" Re-bloomed summer & fall in Mass. Proven summer and fall bloomer for cold climates. Cream russet & lavender. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **60c; 3 for \$1.70; 10 for \$3.75**

AUTUMN QUEEN + 8" Sometimes everblooming, April to November. Pure white, white beard. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **60c**

AUTUMN TWILIGHT (Brown '48) + L-32" My personal favorite of the Percy Brown persistent re-bloomers that we grow. Exceedingly colorful, as you can see from my new color plate. Great numbers of large flowers with sparkling golden cream standards and bright orchid pink falls. Blooms with other Iris in the spring and then re-blooms heavily from August to November. Dependable fall bloomer even in cold climates. Lots of good pollen. A real find! Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

Indianapolis, Indiana, Sept. 4, 1955. "In the fall blooming Iris I have had almost continuous bloom from July 10th. Now AUTUMN TWILIGHT is in bloom, with OCTOBER SHADOWS to open soon, and more stalks coming on AUTUMN ELF. It has been quite a surprise to many visitors to walk in the yard and see iris in bloom in midsummer." Earl Roberts.

BARRE BEAUTY (Brown '53) + 24" Percy Brown says this is one of his most reliable summer and fall bloomers. Should repeat performance in any of our colder states. A pleasing lilac bitone with standards pale lavender, falls pinkish amethyst. [September Sparkler X Unknown] Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

CUPID'S DART (Craig '53) + M-45" A pinkish ivory self with orange tangerine beard that may be likened to a picturesque blond with unrestrained make-up. The bright beard is like a clear cut dash of lipstick on a powder pink countenance. The smooth haft-cheeks are deeply rouged intense, warm pink. A giant twice-bloomer that might well be Mt. Washington in a bright new color. Flowers heavily in spring; starts again in Aug. & continues on into the fall. The finest landscape pink I know. [(Mt. Washington x Flora Zenor) X Sib.] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

ETHEL PECKHAM + M-30" A striking dark red blooming in July, August and Sept., as well as spring. Reported from northern Idaho as blooming "as persistently as a Fuller brush salesman." AM'36. Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**

GIBSON GIRL + M-36" See in color. Spring, summer and fall bloomer. Light pinkish mulberry and deep rose mulberry peppered on cream ground. Very large, outstanding, a wonderful dollar value. Usually starts its second bloom in August and blooms on and on until cut down by heavy frosts. [Madame Louis Aureau X Tiffany] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

GOLD HILL (Miller '41) + M-32" Not only a fine Summer and Fall bloomer, but a prized souvenir of famous 1849 Gold Rush country in which my garden is located. Originated close to gold-discovery town of Coloma. Colored much like famous Radiant, but larger, taller. Standards burnished gold, falls chestnut red. [Happy Days X Dauntless] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

GREEN HOPE (Rees '56) + M-34" Somewhat everblooming as first re-blooming is likely to be in July & Aug., with heaviest repeat bloom in Oct. or Nov. A light chartreuse self, soft olive veining at haft. Bright yellow beard. Apparently all who saw it in originator's garden wanted it. Visitors were impressed with the extent that it is saturated with green and remarked that it is greener than Green Pastures. The originator, Geo. N. Rees, our Rainbow Gardens poet, lives in the Ozark Mts. of Missouri. He has found it fully cold-hardy. Fertile both ways, so should be tops for breeding a green twice-bloomer. Fragrant. [Missouri Night X The Black Douglas] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

JULY BEAUTY + EM-30" One of best for bloom and crossing for everbloomers. Sometimes starts re-bloom as early as July; may continue till Dec. Light lilac blue & deep amethyst. Stems heavily branched, up to 20 buds. Very outstanding in our garden last summer & fall. Reported as fall bloomer in Mass. See in color. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

"I am happy to tell you that your iris July Beauty has given me more pleasure than any other I have ever grown over a very long period of gardening. From the rhizome purchased from you 2 years back, I now have several divisions. The divisions bloom while still quite young, and this year I have had bloom on the plants in April, June, July, September & October. More buds are coming now that will carry them into November. I have them blooming with yellow marguerites at present (Oct. 20) and their lovely blue color would be equally good with yellow or bronze chrysanthemums." Mrs. Chas. J. Oram, Menlo Park, California.

MELODY LANE + Not a regular Summer Bloomer, but under favorable growing conditions (with feeding with fertilized water) it will quickly respond with occasional summer bloom stalks. We have had as many as 15 stalks out at once in July and Aug. in our commercial garden, even with heavy digging going on every day. Try it and see if it will not bloom in summer for you. In any case it will bowl you over in the spring with its mouth-watering loveliness as my color plate shows. See page 25. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **only \$1.00**

PERSIAN PATTERN (Craig '50) + EM-35" An Oncobred widely reported as a twice bloomer or everbloomer. Mrs. Grant Merrill (Red Bluff, Calif.) says "We had blooms on and off all year." Bloomed every month for Mrs. Mary E. Knopf, Campbell, Calif. Standards salmon-buff, flushed lilac. Falls with a heavily etched pattern of grayish crimson. See Ektachrome. One of the potential parents of a new everblooming race. Better find out what it will do for you. [Gay Senorita X Ib-Mac, True] Regularly \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.75**

These additional Summer Bloomers (choicest in full caps) are at end of Autumns, page 9: Master Neil, MEMORIES, NAPPANEE, October Shadows, Papoose, Priority, Sangreal, September Sparkler, Two for Tea, and YACHT CLUB.

My low discounted prices now make it possible to frequently order 3 of a kind for better garden effect.

Bloom August to November and in Spring

THREE GROUPS OF AUTUMNS: Based on reports from customers and on response here in the winter snow belt of the Northern California mountains, at an elevation of 3,000 ft., I have grouped the varieties into Early, Mid & Late fall groups based mainly on when they start their main re-blooming. This does not signify, by any means, that each Iris re-blooms only in the period where it is grouped. For example, the Early Fall Iris may continue to bloom all thru the fall; and those listed as Late Fall Re-Bloomers may start blooming to some extent in early or mid fall, depending on fertilizing, culture, climate, soil, etc. Enough is not known at this early stage in the evolution of re-bloomers to be very arbitrary in statements as to just when these Iris will re-bloom. For instance, I class Aahme as primarily a Winter Bloomer, but quite often it surprises and delights us with bloom in the summer or fall, too. Even tho the division cannot be hard and fast, I feel that the groupings will still be very helpful to people everywhere as an approximate guide as to what to expect. See tops of pages 4 and 5, and page 9 for ideas on how to select to fit your climate.

AVAILABLE SOON: Allies, Autumn Dawn, Autumn Frost, Autumn Haze, Autumn King, Autumn King Jr., Autumn Prince, Autumn Surprise, Black Midget, Bountiful Blue, Cryso, Dorcas Hutcheson, Echo Valley, Encore, Ethel Sumner, Fall Beauty, Fall Violet, Far South, Frost Queen, Gay Hussar, Glad Song, Golden Cataract, Kansas Ingleside, Laura Hutcheson, Neil Babson, Oct. Beauty, Olive White, Pansy Purple, Peggy Babbington, Potawatomi, Radiant, Red Scarf, Sept. Skies, Sweet Tomorrow, Ultra, White Autumn King, Woodmont Vanguard.

EARLY FALL RE-BLOOMERS — (September)

ALMOND BLOSSOM (Craig '53) + M-40" A new tall fall bloomer in clear peach blossom pink, baby pink hafts, ibis pink beard. Reported by Peg Dabagh to be in bloom in July in Berkeley, Calif., and to bloom 3 times a year there. Lovely and especially prolific of bloom. [Hall 42-07 X Peach Parfait sib.].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.75**

★ **AUTUMN FLAME** +30" Fine for early fall bloom. Large, wine-red bitone with velvety falls. Grand. Fragrant.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**

BEAU CATCHER (Craig '55) + E-L-36" For beauty of flower, or mass effect, Beau Catcher is hard to match. Standards creamy pink, nicely arched; falls uniquely colored yellow-cream flushed pink; beard pinkish-red tangerine. Long spring bloom plus fall bloom. Has an affinity for several of newer C. G. White Oncobreds. Pods when pollinated with Asoka of Nepal, King Henry, Krim Aga. [Hall 44-05 X Cupid's Dart].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**

BLUE MASCOT +VE-4" Large charming lilac-blue Dwarf. Re-blooms very heavily Sept. & Oct.Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**

FAREWELL (Craig '51) + M-40" A superior modern Autumn Bloomer of large size, fine quality. Starts re-blooming in late Sept. or early Oct. Sometimes 100% of rhizomes re-bloom. Reported by W. L. Smith to have bloomed well in fall in Virginia. Full, well formed flower, my favorite in this color class—a very bright orchid or fuchsia pink, yellow beard. Substance good, fine flaring form. Well branched, often 4 or 5 branches [Molten X (Prairie Sunset x Brilliant Amber)].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**

GUIDING STAR (Tompkins '51) + M-38" Just as the bright star above guided the wise men of old, now let this golden floral star guide you to the joys of re-blooming Iris. When Chet Tompkins lived in Iowa, he wrote, "Guiding Star has proven to be a sensationally good early fall re-bloomer." My very first offering of this dandy. Pure lemon gold of very intense color, a self even to the beard. Unbelievably brilliant, resulting partly from a remarkable glistening character of the petals. Holds the deep color very well, does not fade. Heavy substance, beautifully broad round form. Placement good on sturdy well-branched stalks. Try it. [Damascus x Rocket] X (Acadia x Damascus)]. Reg. \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

MENOMINEE (Wise '49) + E-36" A ruffled and glistening pinkish buff, sparkling with gold dust in the sun. Standards golden buff, flushed pink. Falls soft rosy pink over a buff ground. Style crests buff yellow. Profuse pollen. Very fragrant. [Red Ray X Autumn Sunset].....Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

WESTERN HILLS — Colorful, superbly branched



ZULU WARRIOR — Dramatic re-bloomer

MISHAWAKA (Wise '49) + M-34" A glistening yellow self with a deep orange yellow beard and deep gold veining at haft. Pleasingly fragrant. Often starts re-blooming in late Sept. but the real heavy fall bloom of which it is fully capable, does not usually come until late Oct. or Nov. Has re-bloomed well in Indiana. [Red Ray X Autumn Sunset].....Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

POLAR KING (Donahue '39) + E to L-32" Most dependable for northern latitudes. I have records of its blooming in Mass. 5 falls in succession. Bloomed in our garden Sept. to Dec. A high quality pure white Iris, ideally branched; sometimes 4 flowers out at once. Very fragrant. AM'32 [Moonlight X (Dominion x —)].....Reg. \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

"I want to report that in addition to my 'Polar King' blooming in mid-summer, it re-bloomed in Sept. and now has 4 new buds in Oct."

Delana Anderson, Lafayette, California

TRAVERTINE ROSE (Gibson '54) + EM-ML-36" A pretty re-blooming pink-cinnamon plicata. Standards creamy pink; falls yellow-cream heavily stippled except in center where soft pink shades to pinkish-maroon. Crests contrasting red-maroon. Branching good. A grand breeder; has already yielded Copper Halo. Pollen abundant. [Misty Rose X Gibson Girl Sdlg.].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

FEATURE OFFERING in Autumn Bloomers

★ **WESTERN HILLS** (Mrs. Brown '51) + M-42" Like autumn leaves in golden tan; falls flushed silvery plum and peacock-blue over rich copper. See in color Dependable fall bloomer in Roanoke, Va., without special care. Reblooms early enough to insure fall bloom over most of U.S. Among very best of Autumn Bloomers for producing TALL heavily-branched FALL flower stalks. Hence close to the top in my list of the best parents for better re-bloomers. Delightful fragrance.....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

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Percy's NEWEST Early Fall Bloomers

Dr. Percy Brown has been breeding Autumn Blooming Iris in Massachusetts for past 20 years. He has developed a series of splendid varieties giving bloom each year in fall in rigorous climate of New England. Dr. Brown's varieties should give fall bloom in almost any state in the Union. His 4 newest Autumn Bloomers are below; his other varieties will be found among the Summers & Mid Fall Re-Bloomers.

AUTUMN BRONZE (Brown '56) + 34" You'll surely want this tallest of Percy's new series of Autumn Bloomers. Stalks have 4 branches, often reach 38" even in the fall. I had one stalk up to 42" on Sept. 10. Shows influence of its seed-parent, Western Hills, a skyscraper among Autumn Bloomers. Standards closed, golden bronze; falls bronzy crimson, edged brown, slightly flaring; orange beard. Has bloomed all thru Sept. and Oct. in New York and Mass. Made a very colorful display here last fall; was a great favorite of our visitors. Pollen fertile; sets seed. Fragrant. [Western Hills X Autumn Twilight].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$3.25; 3 for \$8.30**

AUTUMN SNOWDRIFT (Brown '55) + 30" Exceptionally lovely flowers, persistent re-blooming, even in cold northern climates. Mrs. Herrick, in Wayne, Maine, near very top of map, got fine stalk in Oct. Percy had many in bloom in Mass. in early Oct. We had bloom in Aug., Sept. & Oct. So should re-bloom in fall thruout nearly all of northern and eastern U.S. Beautifully ruffled crystalline white, nicely arched standards, semi-flaring falls, lilac at hafts. Beard bright yellow, conspicuous. Heavy low branching, 16 flowers per stalk. Pollen good; sets seed freely. Marked sweet fragrance. [Tinted Porcelain x Autumn Twilight] X (Autumn Twilight x Glowport)].....Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order **\$3.75**

GREEN DRAGON (Brown '55) + E-M-29" Percy's contribution to the much-sought "greens," and bred for fall bloom. Standards greenish yellow chartreuse, closed; falls veined brown on a lavender base. [October Shadows X Autumn Twilight].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**

SEPTEMBER PASTEL (Brown '57) + 22" Most fragrant of this significant new group. A bitone, pleasingly colored in soft tints; will appeal to all who love pastel colorings. Standards closed, pale amethyst; falls darker. Reliable fall bloomer; blooms thru most of Sept. and Oct. Stalks have 3 well-placed branches, about 9 buds [October Shadows X Fall Fairy].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**

"And thus the child of Thauamas speaks, Heaven's beauty flushing in her cheeks:
E'en as she spoke, her wings she spread, And skyward on her rainbow fled."
VIRGIL: Aeneid.



SUREFIRE (Nicholls '27) +E-20" Almost a Summer Bloomer as it sometimes starts re-blooming in Aug., but more likely in Sept.; continues into Oct. A delicate graceful Iris of palest cream yellow, faintly tinged char- treuse. Nicely formed. 44 chromosomes. [Yellow Bird X Autumn King]...Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

ZULU WARRIOR (Craig '54) +ML-38" See **color plate**. Originator states that this is his new super plicata, which, under his climatic conditions blooms all fall and winter and then again for a long period in spring. A large ruffled pale yellow plicata with a dense wine-berry border, much like a twice-blooming edition of Rasp- berry Ribbon, but here color is dark crimson instead of reddish-purple. Tom can well be proud of this one. HM'54 [Joseph's Mantle X Burgundy Splash].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

EARLY FALL RE-BLOOMERS—SPECIAL NO. 36—Any 5 of these 6: Almond Blossom, Autumn Flame, Mish- awaka, Polar King, Travertine Rose, Western Hills, for.....**\$4.95**

MID FALL BLOOMERS — (October)

AUTUMN SUNSET +32" Bred from 2 Dykes winners. Light bronzy pink and crimson pink edged bronze. Very colorful. [Rosy Wings X Rameses].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c**

BLACK MAGIC +E-18" One of the surest of fall bloomers. Heavy bloom in Sept. & Oct. Rich coloring; standards deep purple, falls **velvety violet-black**.Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

FALL SURPRISE (Austin '59) 36" Yes, it will be a surprise to everyone to see this Iris blooming in the Fall, for there is no other fall-blooming tangerine-bearded Iris that is so close to yellow. Standards orange cream; falls yellowish apricot, with bright yellow hafts and a red-tangerine beard. Unsurpassed as a parent for re- blooming yellows with red beards.Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.50; 3 for \$6.40**

FALL VELVET IMPROVED +ML-28" An improved Fall Velvet, taller, brighter, better branched. Standards blue-lilac; falls deep rosy-amethyst. Reblooms in mid-October.Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**

GERSDORFF-SASS VE-28" Commonly begins re-blooming in Oct. but it is usually sometime in Nov. before it puts on that "springtime blossom abundance" performance that has so often sur- prised and delighted us. Last fall we had well over 1,000 flowers of this one variety in bloom at one time! The most unusual of all, colored like Dresden china. A combination not duplicated even in the multitude of spring bloomers. Standards smooth parchment, flushed mulberry. Falls mulberry pink, overlaid on a parchment ground, and with a most striking lemon-yellow haft.Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$6.25; 25 for \$12.45**

GLOWING AMBER (Craig '53) M-36" A real break in Iris patterns. Tom seems to have a way of bringing forth the most interesting combinations of color. Here under-color is golden amber; sepia seems to be glazed on in a pleasing manner. In falls overcolor is crimson applied in a highly effective radiating pattern well shown in my **color plate**. Surely unbeatable blood for rich colorings. HM'54. You get 3 for the Sale Price of 1 if you find **Secret Words**. See page 24. [Joseph's Mantle X Rich Raiment].....Regularly \$6.50; on \$10 order **\$4.35; 3 for \$12.40**

GLOWPORT M-26" An intense crimson red, almost a self. Re-blooms in Oct. & Nov.Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**

HALLOWEEN NIGHT (Weed '43) 38" The one to get for tall festive sprays usually blooming just in time for a novel type of Halloween decorations. A bright lemon-yellow, veined in golden brown. Up to 17 flowers to a stalk.Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$6.25; 25 for \$12.45**

HARVEST BLUE (Brown '50) +VL-24" Closed standards and styles medium lavender blue, broad and full. Deeper blue falls flare widely. An extremely profuse fall bloomer, makes more of a mass display than any I know of. Fragrant. Good pollen.Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**

JOSEPH'S MANTLE (Craig '49) EM-36" A delightful FREQUENT Bloomer. Blooms with the early Iris, again with the late ones, still again in Oct., Nov., and even mid-winter in mild climates. Often it blooms as heavily in the fall as does any Iris in spring. Last fall we had a regular "forest" of well over 100 tall stalks of Joseph's Mantle in bloom at once. So colorful was named for "Joseph's coat of many colors." An immense flower in golden buff washed and striated red brown, with red brown stippling. Tom Craig is an artist of renown. This creation makes one wonder if he has found a secret way of coloring his hybrids as he applies colors to his canvas. Joseph's Mantle will amaze and captivate you. [(China Maid x Tiffany) X Mitchell Seedlings] See **color photo**. Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40; 3 for \$4.00; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

Hugo, Oklahoma, Dec. 10: "Today I cut a 36" stalk of Joseph's Mantle and brought in the house. The top bud opened several days ago and it now has 12 buds left. Last night it got down to 26° here. We have had several frosts before this." Mrs. T. H. Farmer.

SAVAGE — A Garden Beacon Light — \$2.50



SALLY ANN →

(Smith '45) E to LM-34" Of all yellow fall bloomers I've tried, this has largest flowers and clearest color—a beautiful even yellow, sat- iny in texture, sparkling in sun as if dusted with gold. Nearly every rhizome re- blooms. Also, gives 4½ weeks continuous spring bloom. Flowers often meas- ure as large as 6" x 6". In mild climates, or in mild winters in moderately se- vere climates, blooms thru Jan. and Feb. too. [Kalinga X Jelloway] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

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only \$3.75

"Every garden was once a dream." **7**



GLOWING AMBER — For Color on into Fall.

LADY MOON (Whiting '50) M-34" Comes closest I have to a fall blooming SNOW FLURRY. A true white, yet standards are distinctly a blue white, beautifully cupped, ruffled. Falls rather flaring, creamy with an ivory beard. Over 90% of rhizomes bloomed for me last fall. [(Purissima x Matula) X White Goddess].....Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

LOIS CRAIG (Craig '56) EM-32" The widely-traveled originator of this masterpiece tells me this twice-bloomer reminds him both of iridescent plumage of tropical birds and of light playing thru stained glass in an old-world cathedral—more specifically, a vibrant deep red mingled with purple and brown, and with light sky colors playing on the surface. See **color plate**. Very large, stalks tall, strong, slender, widely branched. With varieties like Mexican Magic, Savage and Molten in parentage, it is no wonder it has dazzling brilliance. HM'57, RU-JC'58 [(China Maid x Tiffany) x Mexican Magic] X (Savage x Molten).....Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

OCTOBER BLAZE EE-34" A blazing and dancing deep red with violet undertones and glittering gold beard.Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**

SAVAGE (Craig '49) M-34" Like a dazzlinG display of fireworks is effect created by brilliant violet blaze shooting out from beard on this flower of burnished red. This amazing intense color gives a flame effect against the light. When used as an accent to other colors effect is fascinating. Consistent fall bloomer. Broad flaring flower of heavy sub- stance. Among most popular of all Iris. A "must" for YOUR garden. HM'51. See **Ektachrome**.Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

PERPETUAL IRIS BLOOM: "You were interested in the iris I had re-bloom for me last year. I still haven't broken my record of 3½ years without at least one iris in bloom." Mrs. Naida E. Stodden, Santa Barbara, California.

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LOIS CRAIG — *Most brilliant re-bloomer*

WAR DANCE (Craig '52) L-42" A re-bloomer that is brilliant blend of red and chocolate or java-brown. Extra large flowers borne late in spring on tall stalks. Remarkable height and splendid varieties in pedigree make it among best to cross for still finer re-bloomers. [(Prairie Sunset x Tobacco Road) X Molten]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.40**

MID FALL RE-BLOOMERS—SPECIAL NO. 37—Any 5 of these 6: Autumn Sunset, Gersdorff-Sass, Halloween Night, Harvest Blue, Lady Moon, October Blaze, for..... **\$3.75**

LATE FALL RE-BLOOMERS — (November)

AUTUMN ORCHID (Austin '56) 36" An absolute self in bright rosy or manganese violet, prominent yellow beard. Nicely arched standards, semi-flaring falls. Has one of longest fall blooming periods of any. Started second bloom late last Oct. and bloomed two full months. Also, a very heavy spring bloomer. Last spring, in a block of 95 rhizomes planted only the last Nov., every one put up a yard high stalk! Branching simply superb; usually 6 branches per stalk, the lower ones 15" to 20" long and re-branched, even in the fall. Often 4 flowers open at once on each stalk. A boon to breeders. Very fragrant. [(Christensen's Elmoir Sdlg. x King High) X Self]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.75**

BALL GOWN (Craig '50) ML-35" A twice-blooming version of Oriental Glory. Standards red-bronze, falls glistening reddish copper, large bright violet signal. Beard heavy, harmonizing golden bronze. Branching good. Sweetly fragrant. Pollen plentiful. [(China Maid x Tiffany) X Sultan's Robe]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

***** Autumn Blooming STAR PERFORMER *****

BLUE SURPRISE (Austin '57) EM-ML-36" **BLUE SURPRISE** surprises everyone, in more ways than one. First for its heavy tendency to re-bloom in late fall, and to send forth at that time, as well as in spring, a generous supply of the largest and finest flowers of any of our blue re-bloomers. Actually, it frequently is a 3-Season Iris as it often blooms in March or early April, as well as the usual time in May; then it starts its wondrous second or third bloom in late Oct. or early Nov., frequently continuing right on into Dec. Last fall every visitor to the garden marveled at the abundance of bloom, the size and beauty of the flowers, the bright light blue color, the extraordinary substance, and perhaps most of all, at its ever-evident and enticing fragrance. It is probably the most fragrant variety in our entire garden! A bouquet of BLUE SURPRISE will quickly perfume an entire room. Then, too, this is the Iris that takes the weather, and whatever the weather man has to offer. It demonstrated its weather-resisting qualities in 1956 when it came through a severe hail storm with flying colors when nearly every other variety was riddled to shreds. In adverse weather one realizes quickly that one good Iris is worth a dozen poor ones. Has a white flush around creamy beard. Beautifully ruffled, as may be seen in my full color photograph. Sets seed when crossed with other Autumns and with the newer fertile Oncobreds. Branching quite good. Breeders everywhere will want this, some for certain of its good qualities, and some for others. Blue Surprise is the one Iris I would recommend most highly to plant beside your garden seat, or at whatever point you can best enjoy and rejoice in its enticing fragrance. As the rhizomes increase, surround your garden seat with Blue Surprise; then see how frequently you come to this most delightful and most fragrant spot in your entire garden. [Berkeley Blue X Chivalry]

***** Regularly \$9.00; on \$10 order **\$5.95** *****

"Blue Surprise is a winner. The blue is such a lovely blue and the stalk is sturdy and the plant a husky grower." Mrs. Boots Meyer, Fayetteville, New York.
"Blue Surprise was well liked by visitors." Warren Mack, Rochester, New York.

BUCKTHORN BROWN (Milliken '48) 36" Splendid bronze Autumn Bloomer. A ruffled and rippled light bronzy brown with hints of blue in the strongly flaring falls. Style crests golden buff streaked in green. Beard intense yellow. Good sized flowers, well branched stalks with 8 buds. Fragrant. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

CARABELLA (DeForest '49) 36" The largest inexpensive Flamingo Pink that blooms in the spring and then again in the fall. A luscious light salmon pink with a large prominent orange-tangerine beard. HM'49..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

CHAMPAGNE VELVET (Sass '55) M-35" Handsome fancy, satin white falls, bordered with bright violet minute dots. Standards bright purple, waved, ruffled. Substance very heavy; falls semi-flaring. Starts second bloom in Sept. or Oct., may bloom till Christmas. HM'58

..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**
FAIR ENOUGH (White '35) E-L-38" One of earliest large-flowered Iris to bloom in spring; continues to bloom past all believing. Then in October, or November it starts again and blooms until December and often January, if weather permits. Almost evergreen; leaves remain fully green and erect, undaunted by moderate cold. A beautiful light blue. 48 chromosomes. [Purissima X Susiana]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

FANTASY EM-30" My color plate tells the story. Usually re-blooms in late fall. Pollen parent of Cherie and Fuchsia..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

FIREBRIGHT (Craig '54) M-30" Has given us almost 90% re-bloom thru Nov. & Dec. An amazing deep red of an intensity not before seen in Iris. Coloring is smooth and rich; further adorned with a dazzling violet blaze. A thing of beauty and a joy to behold. Extremely heavy seed-setter; almost every pollinated flower sets a pod. [Savage X Molten]..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**

GENEROUS (Muhlestein '55) EM-30" Sets a new, very high standard in bronze autumn bloomers. While it re-blooms rather late, and not every plant re-blooms, flowers are so magnificent that when it does re-bloom in early Nov. it surpasses almost everything else in bloom. Strongly flaring falls have spread of 6 to 7 inches, surpassing even gigantic Joseph's Mantle. Fine for cutting in bud stage before fall frost. The buds will open up into fine large flowers often giving 3 perfectly-spaced flowers out at once. Standards bronze, flushed gold at base. Falls bright bronzy gold with bronze edging. Beard orange-yellow. Style crests frilled buff-gold. Surprisingly fragrant. An Oncobred but not prominently so. Tremendously good parent; very fertile both ways. [Utah Sunset X (Elena Choosing) x (Zebulon x Golden Eagle)] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

LINA BETH (DeForest '54) M-36" Usually about 3/4 of the rhizomes start sending up re-bloom stalks in early Nov. Huge, yet very lovely white delicately tinted in pink, with a surprising pale pinkish-yellow beard. The large crisp flowers will measure up to 7". Standards wide, hafts clean, falls wide and flaring. Has what it takes to stand up in bad weather. Branching excellent. [Alona x Hall's 42-10) X (Spindrift x 6-44)] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.35**

MOLTEN (Craig '50) M-35" Very few Iris are as good for hybridizing and have yielded so many famous descendants. Pollen of Molten has yielded fall bloomers Lois Craig and War Dance; Tall Bearded Bang, Conqueror, Red Tango and Zombie. As a seed parent it has yielded the new Ambush. Rather late fall bloomer. Vigorous and robust. Luxuriant blending of burnt sienna, rose and ochre with a violet-blue blaze. Beautifully branched. [Prairie Sunset X Sultan's Robe]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c**

MOON GODDESS M-36" A large flower in strange cool grayed wistaria, novel and interesting. Has been found to be a perfect color companion for the new pinks. Has proved to be consistent twice-bloomer in originator's garden. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**

★ **MOUNT TIMP** — Extra large twice-bloomer. Dark rose standards; pale yellow falls strikingly edged mulberry. A dandy!..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

★ **PINK LACE** M-36" Outstanding as a fall-blooming Flamingo pink. Only inexpensive one blooming well in fall & spring. A real bargain at this low price. Flowers salmon pink with tangerine beard. Nicely formed, of medium size. Seed set on Pink Lace using pollen of 5 tangerine-bearded pinks. Now you try it! [(Dore x Matula) X Flora Zenor]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

RED RAY (Lapham '37) EM-34" A pleasing red bitone with light red standards and dark crimson falls. Useful to hybridizers as it is known to produce re-bloomers. [Red Sails X Jerry] Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$6.25**

ROYAL BAND M-ML-34" Fall blooming counterpart of Minnie Colquitt. Standards bright purple, flushed white. Falls white, purple edge and center line. Nicely ruffled. Pollen plentiful. [Mme. L. Aureau X (Tiffany x Los Angeles)]... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

SCARLET TIGER (Austin '53) E to M-25" Heavy re-bloomer in late fall. Red bitone with falls close to scarlet, an even brighter red than famous Technicolor. Standards light yellow, flushed red, beard bright orange. Pollen abundant. Excellent breeder for working toward brilliant scarlet. [Tiger Tiger X self]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

BLUE SURPRISE — Very fragrant re-bloomer



SMOOTHY (Greenlee '56) E-16" A re-blooming Lilliput. Re-blooming tendency comes from pollen parent, Tiffany. Gives about 50% re-blooming in Nov. Velvety bright yellow, sometimes greenish. Very shapely, fertile. [Carpathia X Tiffany]..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**

THANKSGIVING FIRELIGHT (Austin '50) 34" A colorful Iris, the delight of all who see it. Usually blooms at Thanksgiving time. Done in festive fall colors. Standards blended reddish yellow, bronzy orange. Falls dark crimson, lighter edge. A fast increaser, a heavy bloomer in an established clump. Has pollen, sets seed. Transmits its fall blooming tendency to offspring..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**

"The Thanksgiving Firelight which you enclosed as a premium has bloomed in January and again in the latter part of March and all of April. It will probably bloom all of May." James Gulick, San Rafael, California.

WHISPERWOOD 38" Probably the most fragrant inexpensive Autumn bloomer. A real blue self with large well-formed flowers..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75**

WHITE ALONE 34" A lovely twice-blooming pure white of good height..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

"I can report that your Fall Bloomers favored us with bloom and put on a display for the Fall meeting of Region 6." M. F. Dow, Central Ohio Iris Society.

LATE FALL RE-BLOOMERS—SPECIAL NO. 38—Any 5 of these 14: Autumn Orchid, Ball Gown, Buckthorn Brown, Carabella, Fair Enough, Fantasy, Moon Goddess, Mt. Timp, Pink Lace, Red Ray, Royal Band, Thanksgiving Firelight, Whisperwood, White Alone..... for **\$4.50; any 10 for \$7.95; all 14 for only \$10.95**

SUMMER BLOOMERS—Continued from page 5

MASTER NEIL (Jensen '52) + E-M-36" A re-blooming Oncobred that often re-blooms in Aug. and then more heavily in the fall, sometimes continuing on into Dec. Perhaps the first William Mohr seedling to show a definite plicata pattern. Cream ground color beautifully marked in pink and cinnamon brown. Will set some seeds. [William Mohr X Stained Glass]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

MEMORIES (Sass '53) + ML-35" Last summer this was the heaviest July bloomer of any of our Flamingo pinks. No Flamingo yet created is capable of 100% bloom in summer, but Memories achieved about 40% bloom in July, which was a great surprise to everyone. A most delectable mouth-watering pink that simply swept visitors off their feet to see it blooming so heavily in summer. Continued blooming until late Aug., but no fall bloom. One of the loveliest of the many Sass introductions. A beautiful light salmon pink with a full pink beard. Flowers large with broad heavy substantiated petals and excellent form. HM'53 [Pink Sails X Cotton Candy]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

FEATURE OFFERING in Summer Bloomers

NAPPANEE (Wise '49) + E-37" No Iris has ever given us such heavy summer bloom as Nappanee. All thru July and early Aug. we had over 150 stalks in bloom in spite of heavy digging of largest rhizomes to fill hundreds of orders. Also blooms heavily in Sept., when the tall straight stalks often reach 40", making it among tallest of re-bloomers. A full 90% of large rhizomes usually re-bloom. Standards creamy pink flushed golden from the base. Falls bright crimson. A stunning flower for summer & fall bouquets or for adding a mass of color to gardens at unexpected times. Pollen plentiful. Order early; will probably sell out before fall. [Priority X Forerunner]..... Regularly \$2.75; on \$10 order **\$2.25; 3 for \$6.40**

OCTOBER SHADOWS (Brown '52) + E to L-28" Starts with a long spring bloom; re-blooms prolifically July to October, approaching everblooming. Standards light silvery lilac flushed yellow. Falls lilac rose. Splendid tall stalks, wide low branching, 12 flowers per stalk. Pollen plentiful; very good seed setter. Enticingly fragrant. [September Sparkler X Autumn Sunset]..... Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

PRIORITY (Lapham '45) + M-26" This and Nappanee are the 2 most persistent red re-bloomers. Bloomed for us on 4 different occasions last summer and fall. Standards light crimson; falls dark velvety crimson. Unusual decorative features are the deep amethyst stigmas, contrasting sharply with the yellow style crests. HM'47 [(Rameses x (M. A. Porter x Jerry)) X Red Ray]..... Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

SANGREAL + EM-24" Approaches an everbloomer; after blooming normally in the spring, gave me extremely heavy bloom last summer, blooming all thru Aug., with some fall bloom, too. Attractive light yellow self with deep yellow veins..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **60c**

JOSEPH'S MANTLE — Amazing Frequent Bloomer — \$1.50



FANTASY — Imagine! Only **\$1.00** on \$10 order

PAPOOSE + E-6" Done in Indian Colors, fawn & mahogany. Long spring bloom, plus 3 months re-blooming..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **65c**

SEPTEMBER SPARKLER (Brown '53) + 28" Blooms here in Spring and off and on from June to November. Approaches ever-blooming tendencies. Standards nicely cupped, pale elusive lavender with a golden halo at base. Falls deep blue lilac with striking maroon reticulations and yellow beard. Four-way branching starts near ground. Up to 16 buds per stalk. Sets seed easily; has good pollen. Seed parent of most of Mr. Brown's early fall bloomers. Top-notch for any hybridizer. Reg. \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

TWO FOR TEA (Auten '48) + M-20" A Table Iris that blooms spring, summer and fall. A delicate, dainty orchid-pink self, slender stemmed. I had some in bloom almost continuously last summer and fall..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c**

YACHT CLUB (Sapp) + M-40" Not a very heavy re-bloomer but second only to my Pink Symphony for continuity of bloom thruout the summer and fall. Last year at least one stalk was in bloom practically every week from mid July to mid Nov. Quite a record for a large, amazingly beautiful heavy-substantiated crystalline pure white with gold heart and beard! Starched, strongly flaring falls stand the summer heat without wilting. Many Iris tend to re-bloom with relatively short stalks, but this beauty is held up on 40" stalks in July! Almost incredible, but that's Yacht Club for you. I know you'll never rest easy till you have it in YOUR garden. Pollen abundant, so get started. HC'54 [Illinois X (Sun Shadow x Katy)]..... Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$7.50**

RE-BLOOMING COLLECTIONS

MY FAVORITES—SPECIAL NO. 39—Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous Assortments of my personal favorites in either Summer Bloomers or Autumn Bloomers, as you specify, for **\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, or \$50.00**, as you prefer

SUMMER & AUTUMN COLOR PLATES—SPECIAL NO. 40—Any 5 of these 10: Autumn Twilight, Fantasy, Gibson Girl, Joseph's Mantle, July Beauty, Melody Lane, Persian Pattern, Sally Ann, Savage, Western Hills, for **\$6.95; all 10 for \$12.95**

YOUR OWN SELECTION OF RE-BLOOMERS—SPECIAL NO. 41—Order any 4 or more Re-Bloomers (pages 4 thru 11) having a total SALE price of **\$7.50 or more**, and get **FREE** your choice of **ANY ONE** of these EXPENSIVE RE-BLOOMING EXTRAS (Values up to \$5.00): Memories — S, Beau Catcher — A, Winter Flame — W, Yacht Club — S, Autumn Snowdrift — A, Privateer — W. Or, order any 6 or more Re-Bloomers having a total SALE price of **\$12.00 or more**, and get **FREE** your choice of **ANY TWO** of the 6 EXPENSIVE EXTRAS.

Don't miss **"Achieving Continuity of Bloom"** on page 13. Tells you how to plan for bloom every week.

I Need YOUR Help

In pioneering the development of better re-bloomers for use thruout the Nation, and in my efforts to lead the way in popularizing the growing of these double-duty flowers, I need your help. My catalog goes each year to practically every city and hamlet in the United States. If I am to gradually expand the information in this catalog on the inherent re-blooming capacities of the different varieties in the various climatic regions of our country, I urgently need reports from many of my customers in regard to which varieties re-bloom and when the re-blooming occurs.

If you would like to help, this year from what you now have in your garden, or in a year or two from stock you are now ordering, please list all of the varieties or seedlings that re-bloom for you in summer, fall or winter, no matter where they came from. Please give for each, if possible, the dates of the first re-blooming, the peak of re-blooming and the date for the last flower in the summer, fall or winter. If you care to give a little information on the severity or mildness of your climate, that will be helpful too. Thank you. You may see your name and your data in print in a later catalog!

We are up in the SNOW COUNTRY, among the evergreens.



The WINTER BLOOMERS

Bearded Iris for Winter and Spring Bloom in Mild Climates—World's Only Extensive Listing

Bloom in Spring and Again NOV. to FEB.

USES, BLOOMING SEASONS: Most useful for "Surprise Plantings" in mild climates; they burst into bloom most unexpectedly in mid-winter. Foliage is practically evergreen. In cold climates likely to bloom in early spring, with Intermediates, materially lengthening your Tall Bearded bloomning season. Try a few and see what you've been missing. In cold areas grow under glass for winter bloom. As these iris do not seem to need winter cold to bloom properly, as do most iris, they may prove to be the best of Bearded Iris for Florida and similar climates close to the Gulf of Mexico.

HARDINESS: Cold hardy except December Royalty needs mulching in cold regions.

AVAILABLE SOON: Adornment, Bronze Flush, China Maid, Fiancee, Good Sir, Mission Melody.

EARLY WINTER BLOOMERS—(Start in Nov.)

I am grouping here, to aid you in your selection of varieties for your climate, those Winters which our records indicate will often start their re-blooming in early or late Nov., and hence are likely to give a second bloom in many semi-mild or border-line localities too cold in most years to expect bloom from Dec. thru Feb. This group is so new that only meager records so far exist on the behavior of these varieties thruout the nation. So when you get re-blooming of these or other Winters, do let me hear from you, and quite possibly I'll pass your success story on to iris lovers everywhere, thru the pages of this catalog.

FEATURE OFFERING in Winter Bloomers

AAHME (Craig '53) EM-36" I class this beauty as a Winter Bloomer, since its heaviest re-blooming usually occurs during Dec. or Jan. But, actually, it approaches an everbloomer, since it also blooms heavily in the spring and occasionally to some extent at various other times from Aug. to Nov. Someday there will be better and more consistent everbloomers, but this is one of the very best available today. A large, finely-formed clear orchid-pink, almost like a frequent-blooming Fantasy, which is one of its parents, and is in color on page 8. Beard coral-tangerine. Pollen fertile. [Hall 44-50 X (Peach Parfait sib x Fantasy)] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

ALTA ROSA EE-48" Under favorable conditions will bloom for 4 months, Nov. to Feb. Rich rosy-lavender blended bronze, large. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

★ **COLOR RIOT** (Austin '56) EM-38" Indeed, a riot of contrasting colors. that catch everyone's attention in the spring, and again in November. Occasionally blooms in June and July, so has everblooming tendencies. Standards bright lilac rose. Falls deep purplish crimson, with a long and prominent orange-red beard. [Buffawn X Flora Zenor] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50**

DECEMBER ROYALTY (Austin '51) E-34" See in color. Starts its second bloom about Nov. 25 and often keeps blooming till Christmas, so you can have a huge iris bouquet beside the Christmas tree. A large bold flower in brilliant royal purple, darkening to intense wine-black. Noteworthy for its poise, substance, finish and for its smooth satiny hafts unmarred by veinings. Sometimes 15 to 20 flowers; hence, ideally constituted to cut in bud stage before frosts get too severe, for almost unbelievable winter bouquets. Unexcelled as a parent, transmitting its admirable traits to its offspring, among which is my Winter Flame. In cold regions needs protection, such as afforded by cold frames, to secure December blooms. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.50; 3 for \$4.30**

NIGHT PATROL (Benson '54) M-38" An iris that so resembles a blue-black butterfly in flight that it is a consistent traffic stopper. A rich, smooth, deep blue-velvet self with matching beard. Stiff, flaring rigidly-held horizontal falls. Great blood for breeding dark iris. First re-blooming is usually in Nov., sometimes in Oct. HC'50; HM'55 [The Admiral X Dymia] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

NOEL (White '40) VE-38" Apparently named to indicate bloom at Christmas-time. A splendid pure satiny white like a Magnolia petal. Beard yellow. Firm substance withstands winter storms. Well-branched stems, luxuriant foliage. Reported to bloom in mild climates, Oct. 15 right on thru winter and spring to end of June. Fertile both ways. [Sweet Alibi X Lady Paramount] Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.15**

★ **ORCHID AND FLAME** (Craig '54) VE-45" Blooms almost all year in Berkeley, Calif. A pinkish-orchid with flame beard; stunning for winter bouquets. Pollen plentiful. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

PINK PINAFORE (Austin '52) EM-34" See in color. A charming pink plicata. Has delighted us by blooming in spring and again between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Standards light yellow, so completely flushed as to appear orchid-pink. Falls wavy, heavily stippled and lined orchid-pink, edged gold. Simply superb branching starting about 10". Probably the only Winter-blooming pink plicata. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.50; 3 for \$4.30**

PRIVATEER (Tompkins '54) M-L-35" Somewhat of an everbloomer. Occasionally blooms in Aug. or in fall, as well as winter and spring. Most reds are wine-reds, with some purple, but Privateer approaches much-sought scarlet-red; hence stands out for unique brilliance, color long lasting, non-burning. Large, with broad petals, lovely flaring form, a velvety finish, no haft markings. HM'54 [Ebony Echo X Technicolor] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

RODEO (DeForest '47) M-36" Enormous, "as conspicuous as a 'ten-gallon' hat." Yellow-ground plicata in a really bold, impressive pattern. Standards clear gold, falls white, edged gold, stitched in buckskin brown. Second bloom often starts in Nov.; sometimes not until Dec. Pollen plentiful. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **60c**

★ **RUSSIAN BRONZE** (Milliken '46) VE-30" See in color. Dependable long-season winter bloomer. Where climate permits, blooms every week, late fall till spring. Golden tawny and deep maroon Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

FLOWER SHOW WINNER: "Russian Bronze from your Gardens won a red ribbon at our Flower Show." Charlene Coquat, Three Rivers, Texas.

★ **SLICK CHICK** (Linse '54) Heavy late fall or winter bloomer. In our experience up here in the northern mountains 80% to 90% of large rhizomes send up stalks between Nov. 15 and Jan. 15 if weather is not too cold. In San Francisco Bay region has been reported a regular fall bloomer. Pure white with a greenish mid-rib; beard white. Pollen plentiful, fertile, sets seed. Perhaps the fertile key that will open the door to countless new and lovely things. [Lady Mohr X Snoqualmie] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

★ **SUMMER SUN** (Craig '51) M-38" Very full, flaring, deep yellow with small white signal that comes from a whole line of famous parents. Leathery substance, unusually smooth finish. Usually starts re-blooming in late Nov. Superb blood for blends, yellows, browns, reds and coppers, either in Tall Bearded or re-bloomers. [(Berkeley Gold x Tobacco Road) X (Ola Kala x Cascade Splendor)] Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.30; 10 for \$6.25**

TECHNICOLOR (Whiting '50) M-34" Nearest approach to spectrum red yet achieved. Glowing ruby-mahogany. Hardy. Free flowering in spring. About Nov. 15 nearly every rhizome shoots up for 2nd bloom. Pollen. HM'50; RU AM'53 [Garden Glory X Rocket] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

★★★★★ Winter Blooming STAR PERFORMER ★★★★★

★ **WINTER FLAME** (Austin '53) E-32" Largest, finest red Winter bloomer available today. Persists in blooming each winter, often starting heavy bloom in November, about 2 weeks ahead of Technicolor, and continuing until January. Then blooms again in the spring. Standards smooth light wine red; falls velvety crimson. Novel light buff edging. Heavily branched, with up to 20 buds and 5 flowers out at once on each stalk. Heavy seed-setter. See in full color. [December Royalty X Self] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.75; 3 for \$7.85** ★★★★★

"I had Winter Flame in bloom on Xmas." Mrs. J. A. Attaway, Empire, Alabama.

EARLY WINTER COLLECTION—SPECIAL NO. 33—Any 5 of these 10: Alta Rosa, Color Riot, December Royalty, Orchid and Flame, Pink Pinafore, Privateer, Rodeo, Russian Bronze, Slick Chick, Summer Sun, for **\$4.95; all 10 for only \$9.95**

PAGAN PRINCESS—Note the Red Beard—\$1.25



← **MATTIE GATES** (Sass '46) ML-36" An early winter bloomer in very pleasing color and with a most unusual feature. As far as I am aware, this is the only re-bloomer that has a rooster-comb crest at end of beard. This may be seen in my color photograph. Reminiscent of Golden Fleece but deeper and purer color; flower larger with better substance. Standards glistening lemon yellow. Falls pure white with a wide effective border of lemon yellow. Re-blooming usually starts in Nov. Sweetly scented. Pollen plentiful. Reg. \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

← Both in color →
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REGULAR WINTER BLOOMERS

Most of these do not start their winter bloom until December or January, and continue for varying periods, depending on the variety and the weather. Some start in February or March, and continue right on thru April and May.

★ **ARCADIA BUTTERCUP** (Milliken '47) E-30" See in color. Exquisite deep golden yellow self, with exceptional life and sparkle. In mild climates will shower you with beautiful golden blossoms from midwinter on through regular Iris season. Try it for a profusion of Winter bloom. HM'48. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**
10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95

BEL-AIR 30" Outstanding large ruffled clear violet blue on tall well-branched stems. The ruffling gives fascinating charm. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

BLUE FLURRY (Brown '55) EM-40" Flowers in Nov. or Dec. and again in Spring. A lovely light wistaria-blue with grace and charm. A large ruffled broad-petaled Iris with white beard and throat. Nicely branched. Fragrant. Plenty of pollen. [Snow Flurry X Hall pink sdg.] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.65**

BLUE RIVER VE-36" Fragrant bright blue, blue beard. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

CALIFORNIA PINK (Heller '48) E-45" Where climate is mild enough, as in southern California, will bloom 6 months out of every year. Long spring blooming period with additional later blooming to December, even January. A tall gorgeous light bright orchid pink, novel lilac-white beard. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c**

COPPER ORANGE M-20" Winter bloom likely to commence around Dec. 15. Extremely brilliant, always the center of attraction. Standards intense coppery orange; falls closely approaching scarlet. Just right for arrangements in a copper kettle. My most vivid Iris for so modest a price. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**

★ **ESCAPADE** (Tompkins '52) ML-36" Rich glowing orchid, gold border, frilled and shimmering. Re-blooms Dec. and Jan. in mild climates. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$6.25**

HAPPY VALLEY (Miess '50) EM-40" One of the finest and largest of winter and spring bloomers. A beautiful, amethyst-violet, intense orange beard tipped lemon. Falls broad at haft, rounded, flaring and ruffled. Delightfully fragrant. A magnificent flower! [Mountain Sky X Narain]. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

WOULDN'T YOU LIKE SOME STOCK LIKE THIS? "The Winter Blooming varieties I ordered have been magnificent—really unbelievable. They have bloomed constantly for weeks—I find your Iris do better in this climate than any other. This has been the severest winter here in thirty years, yet I have not lost a single Rainbow Iris." Mrs. Thorne Strayer, Burton, Texas.

MOHRNING DOVE (Craig '53) E-32" Has given us a very heavy second bloom, starting in early Dec. An Oncobred and one of my favorites. A truly immense flower, curiously and interestingly patterned. Standards soft dove-grey; falls in yellow-green tones. (Eucalyptus to Old Ivory), stippled and veined sandalwood. A beauty! [Mariposa Mia X Capitola]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

★ **PAGAN PRINCESS** (Douglas '48) M-38" Standards lovely Persian pink, falls deep Persian rose. Large, well formed. Known to yield startling offspring. In great demand. Often re-blooms in winter in mild climates. Fertile both ways. HM'48. See photo. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$6.25; 25 for \$12.45**

ROSE PEARL (Salbach '44) E to M-28" My personal favorite of all Iris in this price class. Standards opalescent ivory pink; falls deep rose, gilded gold. Long blooming period, late Feb. or Mar. to May. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**

SAN PASQUAL VE-36" Large, like famous Ranger. Bright yellow beard. Standards light carmine; falls rich, dark velvety carmine. Re-blooming commonly starts in Dec. Fragrant. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **60c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75**

SPRINGTIME MADONNA (Milliken '49) VE-34" Symphony in cream and gold. Where winters are mild, likely to bloom in Dec., Jan. or Feb. A creamy-yellow; bright gold edge. Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

★ **SUNSET PINK** (Murray '55) M-44" Has the delightful habit, wherever winters permit, of starting its bloom in February and continuing thru March and all of April. Thus it is almost unbeatable for length of blooming season. A very pleasing clean rosy pink. Tall, nicely branched stalks with 15 or more buds. [(Spindrift x Inspiration) X Twilight Sky]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65**

TOURNAMENT QUEEN VE-36" Usually starts its winter bloom in Dec. Has color, size and form. Luscious bright fuchsia-toned. Stiff flaring falls spread 7". Fragrant. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c**

"Am very new to gardening and last year ordered iris from you, and have been enjoying them since last December, when we had a grand display from Tournament Queen and San Pasqual. Is very rewarding to a new iris fan to have such lovely blossoms and large plants."—Mrs. E. W. Facer, Menlo Park, California.

WHITONE (Welch '53) E-7" A near-white Dwarf that Walter Welch says is superior to all existing whites for display and breeding. Standards white, falls with infusion of chartreuse yellow. Beard white. Blooms Feb. and Mar. Pollen plentiful. [Elegance X (Fiancee x Fairy)]. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**

REGULAR WINTER COLLECTION—SPECIAL NO. 34—Any 5 of these 14: Arcadia Buttercup, Bel-Air, Blue River, California Pink, Copper Orange, Escapade, Mohrning Dove, Pagan Princess, Rose Pearl, San Pasqual, Springtime Madonna, Sunset Pink, Tournament Queen, Whitone for **\$3.95; any 10 for \$7.95; all 14 for only \$10.95**

CUSTOMER'S DELIGHT: May 14, '57. "We eagerly await your catalog every year, with its puzzles, premiums, descriptions, information, and color plates! The winter collection and the tall bearded exceeded our expectations by far. Most of our flowers were as good or better than anything we have seen in any of the shows or gardens in this area. We have enjoyed their magnificence regularly since early December—beginning with Russian Bronze. Thank you very much, Mr. Austin, for helping us find so much fun and beauty in our garden." Mrs. C. H. E. McDonnell, Altadena, California (altitude over 1500 feet).

"Joy of joys!! One of your golden Iris accommodatingly has bloomed for Christmas. Wonder if you all grasp how many lives you brighten. Merry Xmas." C. M. Goethe, Sacramento, California.

MY FAVORITE WINTERS—SPECIAL NO. 35—Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in **EARLY WINTERS, REGULAR WINTERS** or **BOTH** for **\$5.00, \$10.00 or \$25.00** as you prefer

RE-BLOOMERS WANTED

I would like to secure stock of any re-blooming Iris varieties (or seedlings) that are NOT included in my offerings in Summer, Autumn or Winter Bloomers, nor in the lists of the 3 lists of varieties "Available Soon." Let me know what kinds you have, how many of each, and the extent that they re-bloom for you. Notes on the colors, heights, etc., will also prove helpful. If you have re-blooming seedlings, I would like to know the parentage, if this is known. If I can use some or all of what you have, I'll send you generous quantities of some of my own choice recent introductions in return for what you send.

4 Large-Flowered Twice-Blooming WINTER Bloomers, left to right: DECEMBER ROYALTY, ARCADIA BUTTERCUP, RUSSIAN BRONZE, PINK PINAFORE. All 4 for only \$4.85



CHOOSE YOURS

Large Hybrid TALL BEARDED

World's Finest Selection of Both the Very
For Bloom in

My Fabulous New Races of HORNED and SPOONED IRIS

Ever since I introduced **UNICORN**, the first horned Iris, in 1954, the interest in horned Iris has continued to mount in all parts of the U.S. and in many foreign lands, both north and south of the equator. This year marks the birth of the first distinct offshoot of these horned Iris, namely the **SPOONED IRIS**, two varieties of which are introduced to the world on page 3. These did not just happen all at once. In fact, for the past 5 years I have been telling you, in my yearly catalogs, that I had a marvelous new race of Spooned Iris "in the works." Tho many have wanted starts of these novel seedlings for several years, I have held off on releasing any of them until I obtained seedlings bearing spoons that give the Iris flower the **most decorative embellishment ever seen.**

Both the Horned and Spooned Iris are very new in evolution, and have not been in existence long enough to become completely stabilized. The horns and spoons usually exhibit themselves fully and gloriously on well grown, fully established plants. On weak, poorly rooted plants, or sometimes late in the season, the horns and spoons of certain varieties may become quite short and disappear temporarily. Along with many of my keenly interested customers, I am breeding for ever finer flowers with even longer, more decorative and more persistent horns and spoons. **Why not join the fun?** You'll find, at the right, a few pertinent suggestions on goals and objectives to get you started in this pursuit you'll find to be a most welcome diversion and pastime.

HORNED RUBYFALLS (Austin '58) EM-M-38" A novel horned bicolor, almost a variegata! Standards pale yellow, flushed light red. Falls ruby-red, bright orange-yellow beard, ends in a horn usually $\frac{1}{2}$ " to $\frac{3}{4}$ " long. Pollen abundant. This and Horned Rosyred are the only two red Horned Iris on the market today. [(JS-M-176B x 638) X Cherie].....

.....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.15**
HORNED SEEDLING — If you cannot afford the named horned Iris this year, get a horned seedling from my seedbed of breeding stock for the price of an ordinary Iris....
.....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

***** **Horned STAR PERFORMER** *****
* **HORNED SKYLARK** (Austin '57) ML-52" First horned Iris in clear yellow tones. Towers above all ordinary Iris. Standards clear light yellow, beautifully waved. Falls nearly horizontal, cream with light yellow edge. **Very prominent, fully bearded horn**, usually about an inch long. Below horn is a decorative feature—a brilliant yellow band, extending almost to bottom of falls. Beard yellow, a full $\frac{3}{8}$ " wide. **Wonderful for breeding**, an excellent seed-setter—gave several pods full of seed on each plant last year. In fact, this is my Star Performer in seed-setting as well as in other ways, for I have no better seed-setter on the place; pods are HUGE, reminding everyone of small cucumbers. Seedparent of two of my 1960 introductions, **Horned Lace** and **Lacy Lantern**. Now you try it. Branching good. Very vigorous, foliage yard-high, luxuriant, nearly evergreen [(JS-M-176B x 638) X Twilight Sky].

***** Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35** *****
"Horned Skylark was a beauty and grew almost to eye level. The horns just did themselves proud." Mrs. Boots Meyer, Fayetteville, New York.

MULBERRY SNOW (Austin '55) L-45" One of most novel color patterns ever seen. Actually a "snow-capped" appearance due to large prominent white blaze at top of fall, around beard. Standards smooth, dark reddish wine. Falls below white blaze intense mulberry, lined in white in a fancy pattern. At end of beard is a prominent mulberry horn projecting out $\frac{1}{2}$ inch. A fine breeder, both as seed parent and pollen parent. [(JS-M-176B X 638).....Regularly \$10.00; on \$20 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

PLUMED DELIGHT (Austin '55) M-32" See in color. A bewitching yellow cream, washed and veined in greyish lilac, bordered in pale yellow. Falls beautifully rippled, stiffly horizontal, much more flaring than those of its sister seedling Unicorn. Horns are usually more pronounced, somewhat more constant. Beards are yellow and white, extend out along deep violet horns, which usually project a full half inch from the falls. A violet center line on each fall, under the horn, completes the strange fascination with which this unique flower holds every observer. A very heavy bloomer, frequently producing two or three stalks from a single rhizome. No pollen, but a very heavy seed-setter. **Often spooned. Unsurpassed as a promising parent for really new and startling creations.** Be the first to get started! [(JS-M-176B X 638).....Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.95; 3 for \$22.80**

FORMER A.I.S. PRESIDENT KNOWLTON FINDS THE HORNS & SPOONS:
"Plumed Delight, a white ground plicata with dark markings, had the longest 'horn' I have ever seen. At the base of the beard a long tongue stood out with a spoon at the tip. Most remarkable." Bul. 142, page 6.

UNICORN (Austin '54) M-L-42" This is the original, the world's first horned Iris. Depicted in **life-like true color**. Represents greatest break in development of an entirely new, highly decorative Iris form that has occurred in last half century of intensive Iris breeding. Customary beards, instead of reposing quietly on falls in normal position, are raised, separated from falls, projecting as striking plumed horns. Coloring is bold, contrasting—brilliant mulberry standards, snow white falls, prominently edged to match standards. Beard is orange-yellow, changing to white and mulberry. Sets seed readily, has abundant fertile pollen. [(JS-M-176B X 638)....Reg. \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

THRILLING: "The horned Iris you sent me last year have grown beautifully. Unicorn bloomed and what a thrill!" Blanche D. Henley, Independence, Missouri.

HORNED STARTER — Horned Royalty, Horned Rubyfalls & Horned Seedling...\$4.95
With Unicorn, 4 foronly **\$7.95**

YOU SAVE BY SENDING BIGGER ORDERS — SEE PAGE 20



WORLD'S FIRST
HORNED IRIS
UNICORN

NEW FOR 1960

SPOONED PREMIERE — The Iris beyond belief! See description, page 3 — and if you're still not convinced that such an Iris exists, please see my color photo on front cover.

SPOONED PREMIERE

*There are spoonbilled birds, spoon petaled mums,
And now a spoon decked Iris comes
To bring to scarce believing eyes
An element of sheer surprise.
The Spooned Premiere, as it is called,
Keeps garden visitors enthralled.*

—George Nicholas Rees

SPOONED FANTOM, HORNED LACE, PINK UNICORN, HORNED TANGERINE, HORNED AMETHYST — all my 1960 introductions, described on page 3.
HORNED ROSYRED (Austin '58) M-40" Everyone has been asking for a red horned Iris. Here is the **finest one to date**. A striking red bitone with very prominent horns. Standards pink, flushed golden-bronze. Falls crimson, prominent gold network at hafts. Beard heavy, bright yellow, ending in a prominent horn $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 1" long, often curved sharply upward in a most interesting and distinctive manner, as shown in **Ektachrome**. **Brightest of all horned Iris. Most useful of any to the enterprising Iris hybridizer.** Pollen parent of my superb 1960 introduction **Spoonied Premiere**. Pollen abundant, fertile; sets seed readily. Thus you can get the highly interesting, variable F₂ generation. Spread of about 6 inches, making it the **largest of Horned Iris**. Tall, splendidly branched. [(US-M-176B x 638) X Pink Formal].....Regularly \$17.50; on \$25 order **\$12.50; 3 for \$31.90**

FEATURE OFFERING in Horned Iris

HORNED TWICE-BLOOMER (Austin '58) EM-40" A striking bitone, as my shows. Standards amethyst-pink. Falls deep royal-purple, with $\frac{1}{2}$ " to $\frac{3}{4}$ " horn projecting from end of heavy yellow beard. Horns sometimes spooned, like a spooned Chrysanthemum. Pollen exceedingly plentiful. Be among the first to use it! Try both selfing and crossing. May yield the first Horned Twice-Bloomer, as several plants re-bloomed last Nov. [(US-M-176B x 638) X Fantasy].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**



Plumed Delight

FROM OVER 400

IRIS for Mid & Late Spring Bloom

Newest and the Inexpensive Popular Favorites

MAY and JUNE

THE NEW RACES OF TALL BEARDED IRIS

During the past decade 6 distinct and important new races of Bearded Iris have gradually emerged. These have now reached the stage in their evolution where they need to be separated out from the ordinary Tall Bearded Iris and **set up as distinct entities in their own rights**. Only by doing this can this IRIS GUIDEBOOK expect to serve flower lovers everywhere and enable them to quickly grasp the real nature and significance of the extensive new developments. The first of these new races, the **Horned** and **Spooned** Iris, appear on these 2 pages; the rest follow, ending with the **Main Tall Bearded** section, starting on **page 28**. There you'll find a condensed list of these absorbing races of Tall Bearded that will bring so much new interest to your garden. **Full alphabetical INDEX to all varieties is on page 43.**

USES: Tall Bearded Iris are adapted by height, size of flowers, and by the wide range of colors, for your **main colorful displays in late spring**. My Supplement gives many detailed suggestions on utilizing these and other Iris.

CULTURE, HARDINESS, SHIPPING & PLANTING TIMES: See page 23.

✳ = **Choicest of inexpensive Iris**, especially recommended for beginners.

HYBRIDIZING Possibilities of HORNED and SPOONED Races

Since the form of the Iris flower has remained almost constant for centuries, these first basic changes in conformation reflect enormous potentialities in the **controlled** evolution of our favorite flower. Yes, as Luther Burbank so ably expressed it, "**Plant life is as plastic in our hands as clay in the hands of the sculptor.**"

Up to now the chief aim, along this line, of alert breeders everywhere has been simply to produce new and better Horned Iris. But **now a new era begins**. The original objective is not enough. People are clamoring for new and more exciting combinations of these startling Horned Iris with the other new races that have recently emerged, particularly the **Lacy Lovelies** and the **Tangerine Bearded Iris**. I introduce this year (page 3) the first member of each of these two combinations. These and their parents will constitute parental starting points for eager-beaver hybridists wishing to bring about still further advancement. My variety descriptions on pages 3 and 12 simply abound with further suggestions for both amateur and advanced hybridizers desirous of specializing in this highly promising field where progress is bound to be very rapid. And the time to start YOUR plans is **NOW**.

ACHIEVING CONTINUITY OF BLOOM

To insure practically continuous bloom in your garden you should, obviously, have several varieties in each of my **6 re-blooming categories** (pages 4-11), in so far as your climate will permit. The sequence of these, of course, is: **Summer, Early Fall, Mid Fall, Late Fall, Early Winter & Regular Winter**. I suggest trying **several varieties in each category** since different varieties respond differently to varying soil and climatic conditions and no one can predict without trial just when each variety will re-bloom under your particular conditions. But by having several varieties for each portion of the season you greatly increase the chances of having some Iris in bloom practically every week.

And remember, too, that ordinarily every rhizome does not re-bloom. So the more plants you have, the surer you are to have abundant re-blooming. With this in mind, I have provided for you reduced prices for 3 or 10 of a kind, wherever my stocks permit. And to aid you still further I have taken special pains to provide an **easy way for you to acquire 2 or 3 rhizomes each of certain RE-Bloomers for my low discounted price for 1**. I refer, of course, to my **Secret Variety Game**, known and played for profit by my customers for over a decade. Realizing how helpful it will be to you to have extra rhizomes of RE-Bloomers **without cost**, I am this year offering altogether, in the 3 Secret Variety classes, **4 kinds of Summer Bloomers, 8 varieties of Autumns and 2 of Winters**. Now it's all up to you! See page 24.

CUSTOMER REPORT ON BLOOM FOR 11 Months: "*Pink Pinafore is blooming now and I have had some bloom almost all summer from the ones I ordered from you last year. September Sparkler, Autumn Twilight and Gibson Girl have been blooming off and on all summer. I have had Iris in bloom every month but November.*" Elizabeth F. Gamble, Palo Alto, California. Oct. 21, 1959.

THE RE-BLOOMERS ARE ALREADY COMING INTO THEIR OWN: "*I'm getting tired of hearing 'I love Iris but they bloom such a short time.' I have a friend here, about a mile from me, who has not been without at least one Iris blooming in her yard since July of last year; that is, 14 months without a break in the Iris bloom. We are preaching re-bloomers all the time.*" Sept. 24, 1959. Mrs. Zerk Maye Brummett, El Paso, Texas.

I want to hear from everyone who has had easy-to-grow Bearded Iris in bloom **all 12 months**; and for people in cold climates, I'd like to hear from all who have had Iris bloom in every month **from the last spring frost to the first fall frost**. Looks to me like I am soon going to have to set up a national competition in this joyful pursuit of happiness and eternal rainbow colors. Better get YOUR garden stocked up and ready to win a handsome prize when the contest is announced!

LOCAL IRIS SOCIETIES

Why not gain widespread publicity by exhibiting re-blooming Iris at your State Fair, as the Empire State Iris Society is doing in New York. Note this account of their exhibit from Sept. 4-12, 1959, written by Marguerite Slocum:

"*The booth this year exhibited living iris in bloom for the first time. The varieties Autumn Queen, Sangreal, Autumn Bronze, Autumn Twilight, Barre Beauty, Fall Primrose, and a McGarvey Seedling, caused much comment from the many visitors to the Horticultural Building. Another suggestion is the creation of a special award for the best re-blooming seedling produced by a New York State hybridizer, to be judged at the Fair by an accredited judge.*"



HORNED ROSYRED — A Delight to Everyone

"*Your three horned Iris, Mulberry Snow, Plumed Delight and Unicorn have thrived and have proved to be both fertile and hardy.*" Lloyd Zurbrigg, Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

"*I took a specimen stalk of HORNED SKYLARK, UNICORN and HORNED ROYALTY to our Iris Show and created quite a stir. . . . A doctor from Long Beach, California, rushed up and fingered all three Iris, exclaiming: 'Why . . . I didn't know you could raise Horned Iris in Oklahoma! . . . I've never seen such substance!' So-o-o, you might know everyone within hearing of his remarks, and there were plenty, all became highly interested in a hurry. Everyone was amazed and awed with their immense size and beauty. To be putting it mildly, I was so proud of the Iris and to have been the one to 'show them off' to good advantage here in Oklahoma . . . I know relatively nothing about Iris, but I do know 'beauty' when I see it and my plants are so very healthy . . . Thanks again for your generosity that makes for beauty, pleasure and conversation, in sun baked Oklahoma . . . I am five-two, and your Horned Skylark's flowers were even with my eyes . . . and I love the 'unique' coloring & unusual beard of horned Unicorn.*" Mrs. John M. McCorkle, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

HORNED ROYALTY — New, yet only \$1.95 on \$10 order





QUEEN'S LACE — *Ultimate in Lacy Perfection. See page 15*

NEW FOR 1960

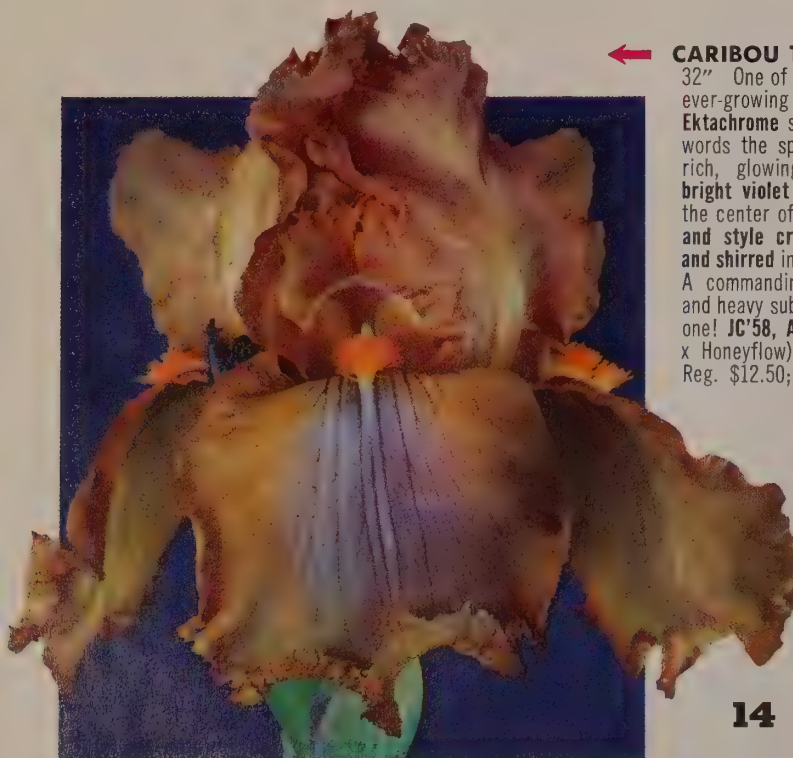
HORNED LACE — Heavy lace effectively combined with long horns. See front cover and page 3 **\$35.00**
LACY LANTERN — My charming 1960 lacy introduction, page 3. **\$15.00**

❖ **BLUE DEBUT** (Wallace '55) ML-36" Many have been waiting for that blue lacing factor for their breeding work; now here it is. A large well substantiated, nicely formed pale violet-blue self up to 6½" across. Standards and falls beautifully laced, lightly ruffled. [(Midwest Gem x Hall 42-10) X (Snoqualmie x Gold Ruffles)] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

BUTTERSCOTCH KISS (Plough '57) ML-36" A full sister seedling to Caribou Trail, shown in color. The general coloring and lacy form are similar, but this is more of a golden butterscotch yellow, with a gold dust glitter all over. In some lights there is an orchid infusion. Yellow is intensified in heart of flower and along the petal edges. Heavily substantiated; edges of petals very heavily laced. Gold ribbon for most outstanding introduction at recent meeting at Wenatchee, Wash. Fertile both ways; with qualities like this it will be in terrific demand among the hybridizers. HM'57, JC'58. Next to top of '59 Awards of Merit. [(Cascade Splendor x Honeyflow) X Twenty Grand] Regularly \$22.50; on \$30 order **\$14.95**

CHANTILLY M-36" See Ektachrome. Most famous of the progenitors of this eye-catching race of "Chantilly-laced" Iris, and finest inexpensive laced Iris today. A wonderful parent—these 2 pages contain several descendants of Chantilly, and if others have gotten good ones, why not you? A luscious orchid-pink. Very likely carries recessive character for tangerine beard. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **60c**

CLIFFDELL (Norton '52) ML-38" Bi-color blend with crinkled edges. Standards reddish brown; falls flaring, rosy lilac. Passes its lacy edges to its progeny. Pollen abundant. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**



← **CARIBOU TRAIL** (Plough '57) ML-32" One of the finest members of this ever-growing clan of lacy beauties. My Ektachrome shows you better than any words the spontaneous appeal of this rich, glowing golden brown with a bright violet blaze radiating out from the center of the falls. All petal edges and style crests are heavily crimped and shirred in a most appealing manner. A commanding creation of large size and heavy substance. Don't pass up this one! JC'58, AM'59 [(Cascade Splendor x Honeyflow) X Twenty Grand] Reg. \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$11.95**

← BOTH →
for **\$14.95**

→
RUFFLED APACHE
A real eye-catcher

THE DELIGHTFUL NEW

★ Race of LACY LOVELIES ★

This entrancing new Race of LACED Iris represents a fortunate mutation in Iris form, and has developed very rapidly during the last few years. It has been so well received that it has literally taken the country by storm. Today no Iris garden is complete without at least a few of these frilly lovelies with petal edges adorned as if with lace. Assembled on these two pages for your convenience.

CARMELA (Schreiner '55) M-38" This bewitching new creation is so very lacy and exotic that I am picturing it for you in full color on opposite page. Several experienced Iris judges have characterized Carmela as the laciest and loveliest of this new race. This crinkled beauty is done in colors of fawn and honey, and is sure to captivate you. The petals are broad and the form is simply superb. A radiant, glamorous Iris personality that is certainly a "must" for Iris fanciers. HM'55, AM'58 [Russet Wings X (Midwest Gem x Chantilly)] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

CRINKLED RIBBON (Schreiner '56) M-38" Exciting bright blend—tan and rosy lavender, with heavily crinkled edges. Intriguing; comes from new line of breeding for the lacy type. Pollen profuse. [Pathfinder X Rose Splendor] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

CRINKLED SUNSET (Plough '57) ML-32" A splendid new one from the originator of famous Butterscotch Kiss and Caribou Trail. Said to be the most heavily laced and shirred creation yet developed. A rich deep blend in sunset coloring. Standards lavender buff; falls violet-pink and buff. Outstanding and very colorful. HM'58, RU-JC'59 — [Quest X Cliffdel] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$8.50; 3 for \$24.25**

CUTIE PIE (Madsen '56) ML-36" A heavily laced charmer that has been aptly named "Cutie Pie" because it is sure to grab your heart-strings. It comes from two of the finest lacy parents, so is almost certain to pass lace on to its children. A complete self in light wisteria-violet with lemon-yellow beard and heart. Stunning! [Ruffled Gem X Chantilly] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.85**

ENCHANTED LACE (Wallace '56) L-36" A new and imposing beauty. A fine large peach blend with heavy ruffling and lacing. The winsome effect derived from wide flaring falls will create a sensation wherever grown or shown. [Centennial Queen X Chantilly] Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$13.35; 3 for \$34.05**

FIRST CURTAIN (Muhlestein '57) M-38" A real improvement on Party Dress which has been my long-time favorite heavily laced pink. Now First Curtain supersedes this as being one of the very finest and truest pink selfs in existence. The heavily laced petal edges make the flower simply adorable. Everyone who sees it immediately falls in love with it. The substance of the blooms is heavy, the color a very clear rich pink with a heavy red-tangerine beard. Top-notch for any breeder. [Party Dress X Pink Fulfillment] Regularly \$20.00; on \$30.00 order **\$18.95**

❖ **GALA** (Schirmer '51) EM-38" Blend of peach, tan, yellow and pink, with definite rosy qualities. Has more laciness than Chantilly. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.65; 10 for \$5; 25 for \$9.95**

GAY APPAREL (Schirmer '58) ML-34" Gay, and very new is this colorful laced novelty. Really outstanding, due to very heavy golden-buff lacing at ends of very flaring heavy substantiated falls in lilac-pink. Beard light yellow. Standards creamy-pink with a lacing around edge. Coloring is so sparkling and so different some have called it a "fancy." Received HC award in '55, and was 3d from top out of 69 that received this award. Greatly admired at '55 Canadian Convention. Pollen exceedingly abundant. HM'58 [(Overture x Chantilly) X Pink Reflection] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order \$6.65; 3 for \$18.95

❖ **GUSSIE** (Corey '53) ML-35" Reputed to have laciest edges of any Iris. Even buds noticeably laced. A lovely heavy textured orchid self, gold hafts, lemon beard. Likely to contribute heavy lacing to offspring due to two lacy parents in pedigree. [Chantilly X (Daybreak x Midwest Gem)] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**



GRACELLE (Albright '55) E-M-L-36" A widely acclaimed Iris of great distinction. A wide ruffled and laced blend of pink and lavender with an electric blue flush in the falls. A heavy substantiated self without haft markings; gold beard; stalks tall, strong, well-branched. Very vigorous, winter hardy, fast of increase. Fertile both ways; should be a breeder for many wonderful colors. HM'55 [Dream castle X (Sister to Pink Salmon x President Pilkington)] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

FEATURE OFFERING in Lacy Lovelies

✶ **JUNE BRIDE** (Hall '52) M-32" A delectable, mouth-watering deep apricot pink with a color of tuberous begonias. A large lacy flower, stiff horizontal falls. Beard prominent, bright, red-tangerine. HM'52; RU-AM'56. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$1.90**

LACY ORCHID (Noyd '57) M-30" A breath-taking beauty from the northwest. A nicely formed broad-petaled orchid-pink with rosy tan haft and rich tangerine beard. Beautifully laced and ruffled. [(Prairie Sunset Sdlg. x Cigarette) X Pink Sensation] Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$7.10**

LIMELIGHT (Hall '52) ML-35" Extra large ruffled, very frilly flower, like a canary yellow Chantilly. Picotted edging and beautiful coloring. Novel, tantalizing, quite irresistible. Should prove useful in breeding new ones with Chantilly lace. Beard tangerine orange, so will prove useful to those breeding for intense yellows with bright red beards. Outstanding for both the fancier and the breeder! HM'52; AM'54 [Sunray X Hall pink sdlg. 46-42] ... Reg. \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.90**

✶ **ORCHID RUFFLES** (Schreiner '54) EM-35" The first true lavender with that much-sought lacy edge. A flower of shimmering loveliness and ethereal beauty that the discriminating Iris fancier will take to his heart. Far-sighted breeders will be quick to cross this with other new lacy edged varieties. HM'56; JC'57 [Harriet Thoreau X ((Angelus x ?) x ((Matula x sdlg.: (Noweta x Violet Cr.)))] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

PARTY DRESS (Muhlestein '51) ML-34" Delightful. Most ruffled and laced of all the Flamingo Pinks. Makes one think of a little girl's frilly party dress. One of best parents for tangerine-bearded pinks. Fertile both ways; offspring remarkably fine. Has a long tangerine beard, yields highly colorful and varied beards in its offspring. Every hybridizer should have this. AM'54 [(Lancaster x D. Hall's 42-10) X Sister to Pink Formal] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**

*****Lacy Lovely STAR PERFORMER*****

✶ **QUEEN'S LACE** (Muhlestein '55) M-L-34" See my color photo. A personal favorite of mine, and one that approaches the ultimate in floral beauty. Cream standards with snow-white falls, edged in heavy cream lace. The lacing is so heavy that it is probably not surpassed by any other Iris to date. Much sought; everyone seems to want it to dress up his garden, and for breeding. You can't go wrong on this! Pollen plentiful. JC'56; AM'57 [Clara B X (Gold Ruffles x Chantilly)] Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95*******

ROSE DELIGHT (Austin '57) EM-40" One of the best known examples of a red-bearded Flamingo having a delightful lacy edge to the petals. Attractive bright fuchsia-pink characterized by falls with pale yellow hafts decorated with soft golden brown veins. Standards nicely cupped and closed. Falls semi-flaring, held stiffly in position by very good substance. Beard red-tangerine. Good pollen. [Cloudcap X Courtier] Regularly \$7.00; on \$10 order **\$4.65; 3 for \$11.85**

RUFFLED APACHE (Wallace '54) ML-36" The lacy appearance is so striking, the color so new for a lacy-edged variety, it always makes the visitors stop and exclaim in admiration. Standards soft bronzy amber, beautifully arched and closed. Falls rosy crimson with lacy bronze edging. Beard bright yellow, large and conspicuous. So outstanding it was shown on front cover of Jan. 1955 A.I.S. Bul. Sometimes has a spread of up to 8". See in natural color on opposite page. Fertile both ways. You need this one! Rhizomes small, HM'54; JC'55 [Matula X Midwest Gem] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**

"I liked Ruffled Apache very much. From the one rhizome you sent me I had three stalks of bloom. I think that very good for first year after planting." Mrs. Joe A. Benesh, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

RUTH — Simply stunning. The most ruffly and crinkly yellow ever seen. Bright and gay, order today! Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**



SUGARPLUM — Delectable, mouth-watering — on \$10 order **\$1.95**

✶ **RUFFLED GEM** (Muhlestein '51) ML-36" Iridescent pinkish-buff becoming light yellow in center of falls. Petals edged with heavy Chantilly-lace. Lots of pollen. [Midwest Gem X Sib to Dream Girl] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

SUGARPLUM (Corey '53) M-36" See life-like Ektachrome. Edges of petals are crimped and lacy. A soft creamy pink self with soft yellow haft and yellow beard. Form flaring and substance very heavy. Known to be a fine breeder; should make a wonderful parent to bring lacing into the flamingo pink line. HM'55 [Chantilly X (Daybreak x Midwest Gem)] Regularly \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

TRULY YOURS (Fay '49) VL-38" A huge creation, breathtaking and spectacular. Beautiful heavily-ruffled yellow bitone with Chantilly-like edging of lace on both standards and falls. Heart of flower bright yellow shading off to almost white. Completely winter hardy. Has fertile pollen and sets seed excellently. Start now to add this effective frilling to Iris of other colors. Also try crossing with Horned and Spooned Iris. '53 Dkys Medal [(Rameses x Far West) x Hall 42-35) X Zantha] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**

TWENTY GRAND (Norton '53) M-36" A lovely blend of canary yellow, orchid and tan-gold. Petals beautifully ruffled and edged in Chantilly lace. Beard orange. A marvelous breeder that has already yielded the award-winning Butterscotch Kiss. [Chantilly X Rainbow Room] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

YELLOW LACE (Wallace '56) M-36" This is the "Goldilocks" Iris, for it is a brilliant golden yellow with curl-like whirls of heavy ruffling and lace. An Iris everyone will want for its great novelty. Children particularly will be enchanted with it; also hybridizers, for here is fine blood for lacy pinks and lacy yellows with red beards. A "must have." [Chantilly X (Midwest Gem x Hall's 42-10)] Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95**

MY FAVORITE LACE — SPECIAL NO. 14 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for you amazingly generous assortments of my personal LACY favorites for **\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00 or \$50.00**

BREEDER'S BEST LACE — SPECIAL NO. 15 — Any 4 of these 6: Crinkled Ribbon, Gussie, Orchid Ruffles, Party Dress, Truly Yours, Twenty Grand, for **\$4.95; all 6 for only \$6.95**

BEGINNER'S LACE — SPECIAL NO. 16 — Any 7 of these 10: Blue Debut, Chantilly, Clara B, Gala, Gussie, June Bride, Party Dress, Ruffled Gem, Ruth, Twenty Grand, for **\$5.95; all 10 for only \$7.95**



COLOR PLATE LACE — SPECIAL NO. 17 — Ruffled Apache, Sugarplum, Carmela & Chantilly, 4 beauties for only **\$7.95**
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Gardeners have had difficulties for years in supplying the flooded bog conditions and the extremely rich organic soil required for the best development of the Japanese Iris. So now they are turning to the newly developed **Bearded Iris** varieties that give the same magnificent displays of immense flat flowers, with just ordinary care. Below I present, to aid your garden planning, **the only comprehensive assemblage of these much-sought Iris to be found anywhere.** Most of them have been introduced thru the pages of this catalog during the past few years. **Clementina** and **Giant Clematis** are my own originations. Six of them (Japanese, Pentagonal, White Parasol, No-Top, Rhythm and Little Freak) I have introduced for other hybridizers. I sent all the way to Scotland to get stocks of the old but fascinating **Clematis** for you. So this entire group is very nearly exclusive with Rainbow Gardens. I know that these completely out-of-the-ordinary Iris will bring a new sense of interest and eager curiosity to YOUR garden.

ONCOBRED GIANT FLAT IRIS

BELLA MOHR (Ohl '55) M-36" Imagine an "Elmohr" with "Sable" coloring, and a form that sometimes partially or fully flattens out. Quite something! Huge, wide full flowers in glowing blackish purple. Wonderful substance. An Oncobred that is a knockout! HM'56. [William Mohr X Sable].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.55; 3 for \$7.25**

CLEMENTINA — This is one of my 3 sensational **EXTRA PREMIUMS** available free on all orders of \$15.00 or more mailed within 15 days. See color picture and details on page 20.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.25; 3 for \$10.85**

FLURRY MOHR (Rees '50) E-42" A huge rich deep violet Oncobred from Snow Flurry X Capitola. Standards tend to flatten out somewhat so this makes a wonderful single-flower arrangement, or an ideal flat-dish display. Gives a breath-taking effect and your friends will be amazedRegularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

GIANT CLEMATIS (Austin '58) M-32" As its name indicates, and as my **Ektachrome** shows very clearly, this new Iris resembles a giant Clematis flower much more than it does an Iris. It is immense in size, commonly producing flowers 9 inches across. Occasionally some flowers open up in nearly normal form, but usually after a day or two most of them flatten out as illustrated, and display the 6 beards instead of the 3 so characteristic of most Iris. The coloring is rich mulberry, and the beards creamy lilac. Many who see this giant flat flower for the first time think it is a Japanese Iris, but actually it is an Oncobred, and a most unusual one. The form is somewhat similar to my widely-acclaimed Clementina (page 20) but petals much wider and fuller, resulting in a flat flower with a circumference that is almost a perfect circle.....Regularly \$17.50; on \$30 order **\$15.00**

TALL BEARDED GIANT FLAT IRIS

NO-TOP (Lawson '58) M-36" NO-TOP is the name given Mrs. Lawson's No. 53-7, which caused much favorable comment at the Memphis Convention. It was a guest in Mrs. Elby Martin's garden. She wrote it caused more comment than any other Iris; everyone was interested in it. Mrs. J. W. Hinkle commented: "Japanese form; five styles; greenest iris seen." And Mrs. Harry Frey says: "A green-white, with 6 bearded falls and no standards, but possessing 6-8 style arms. Buds are decidedly green. Very attractive." Need I say more? Just that it is a large flower, 6-7 inches across, has no stamens or pollen but will set seed. Flower sometimes seems pure white, without the greenish tinge. Co-introduced in 1958 with Mrs. Lawson, who tells me that it has been constant in its form since it first bloomed. [Purissima X Spindrift]....Reg. \$8.00; on \$10 order **\$5.35; 3 for \$13.65**

PINAFORE LASS (F. Cook '51) EM-38" See in color. Falls heavily gathered, pleated so form of flower is like nothing you've seen before — but in a way it has the flatness and appeal of a Japanese Iris. Coloring, too, carries out this similarity, for white center suggests a blaze on Japanese Iris. From this glowing whiteness there are ever-deepening tints of lilac and violet out to deeper colored scalloped margins. Something really novel. Rhizomes naturally small. Fragrant. HM'52. [Snow Flurry X White Wedgewood].....Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

***** FLAT Tall Bearded STAR PERFORMER *****

WHITE PARASOL (Mrs. R. M. Wolf '58) M-ML-38" See in color. From high up in the Colorado Rockies, near the Continental divide, where temperatures of -25° have been recorded, comes this magnificent flat white Iris that has caused amateurs and experts alike to exclaim with evident rapture. A huge snow-white flower often up to 9", that flattens out much like a white parasol; hence its name. Displayed as a guest Iris at 1957 American Iris Society Convention, Memphis, Tennessee, so many Iris fanciers are already aware of its spontaneous appeal. Unlike most of the older "flats," this would seem to be a tetraploid, judging from its vigor and great size. At one time was called "Flat Top"; you may know it by this name. Will be in constant demand as a corsage flower, and for use indoors in large flat containers. Substance heavy. Pollen variable, sometimes good; sets seed, so will be used by hybridizers everywhere. Praised by such eminent Irisarians as Tell Muhlestein, Dr. P. A. Loomis, Mel Wallace, all of whom recommend its introduction. Now it has made its debut and is ready for YOUR appraisal. [Spanish Peaks X Violet Symphony]. You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24. Planned as a \$25 introduction, but as it is partially inconstant and variable when poorly established, or at end of season, it is now offered, while supply lasts, at only

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MEMPHIS CONVENTION REPORT: "Everyone was quite taken with a big flat Japanese type of iris named WHITE PARASOL." Helen McCaughey, in the 1957 Yearbook of British Iris Society.

CONVENTION REPORT in Bul. 146 by former A.I.S. President Jesse Wills: "The most unusual Iris I saw in Memphis was... White Parasol... a wide flat flower where the standards laid over flat in a regular orderly fashion so effect was not like a tall bearded Iris at all, but was rather suggestive of a big exotic Japanese type."

The year of its introduction **WHITE PARASOL** won the purple Sweepstakes ribbon at the county-wide Flower show held at Canon City, Colorado, high up in the Rocky Mountains.

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GIANT CLEMATIS — Approaches a perfect circle!

FLAT BORDER & TABLE IRIS

NEW FOR 1960

JAPANESE (Vallette '60) L-24" Border Iris with a strange flat form of flower. A little like Pentagonal, but somewhat more uniform. Usually has four fall-like petals that open out flat like Rhythm, but larger. There are also two smaller erect-spreading standards to complete this strange appearance. A bright lilac-rose with a deeper flush in center and yellow hafts marked in brown. A fine addition for your garden of curiosities, which you will find to be wonderful conversation pieces for all of your visitors.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

PENTAGONAL (W. Vallette '60) L-26" A well-named curiosity, for this usually has only 5 petals—4 of them flattened out and the 5th partially erect. Botanically a "Bearded" Iris, but in actual fact all petals are usually entirely beardless. Styles and stigmas normal, so seed setting should be possible. But stamens generally lacking. A pretty white, irregularly flushed in lilac pink. [Pink Tower X Salmon Fuchsia]. \$5; on \$10 order **\$3.35**
Both JAPANESE and PENTAGONAL for only **\$5.95**

DOROTHEA VE-16" Trim modern form with nicely arched standards and stiff flaring falls? Goodness no, this has delightful wind-blown effect which departs from all formality. A pale lavender white, flushed and dappled amethyst. May prove useful in breeding toward a flat "Japanese" style.....Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45**

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WHITE PARASOL — Truly Magnificent

CLEMATIS L-30" Variable, but flowers tend strongly to flatten out and many have 6 bearded petals instead of 3. A light violet-blue with bright lilac flush thru center of falls. Very interesting! Usually has viable pollen.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

LITTLE FREAK (John Steel) M A pretty white plicata that flattens out like a Japanese Iris, but quite unlike the beardless Japanese, this regularly has six yellow beards. Attractive edging of violet. Pollen variable, sometimes plentiful. A heavy increaser.....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**

FEATURE OFFERING in Flat Bearded Iris

RHYTHM (Ballard '54) M to ML-24" See in color. A phenomenal break in Iris form; the first flat Iris with six bearded falls. A whimsical freak of nature, entirely without the usual three standards characterizing normal Iris. Coloring is deep indigo violet except for whitish hafts with brilliant yellow beards, and prominent pure white style arms. A novel item for arrangement fans. While not highly fertile, it offers a challenge to adventurous breeders eager to get this distinctive form in various bright new colors. 24 chromosomes. [(Alcazar x Archeveque) X Candelabra]Reg. \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.50; 3 for \$4.30**

FLAT STARTER — SPECIAL NO. 46 — Any 5 of these 6: Clematis, Dorothea, Flurry Mohr, Little Freak, Pinafore Lass, Rhythm, for.....**\$5.35, all 6 for only \$5.75**

SUPER FLATS — SPECIAL NO. 47 — The 2 finest white Flats, White Parasol and No-Top for.....**\$9.95**

RHYTHM — Count the 6 beards — \$2.50



Continuation of **COLOSSALS** from back cover

ALLINE ROGERS (Kleinsorge '50) LM-34" Truly immense, often with 8-inch spread; wonderful horizontal falls of amazing substance, and a most delectable blending of peach, pink and alluring buff. Delightfully fragrant. [Cascade Splendor X Daybreak].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

APRIL SHOWERS (Craig '54) M-38" A fancy plicata. Flowers always large, frequently simply gigantic. Standards light yellow; falls have a silvery quality with sunlight yellow showered on the surface. Brushing of white & lilac in center of falls. Sets seed with Oncobred & Tall Bearded pollen. Parentage shows a double dose of re-blooming blood—Tiffany & Joseph's Mantle. [(Mariposa Mia x (Tiffany x Los Angeles) x Belle Brunette)] X Joseph's Mantle].....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.45**

BIG UTE (Wallace '54) M-37" Yes, big it is, actually huge. A rich glowing red blend of classic quality that enjoyed much popularity among the A.I.S. convention visitors at Salt Lake City. There is a suggestion of a violet-blue sheen below the beard, and this gives it much the appearance of a greatly improved Grand Canyon. Wide, flaring falls and closed standards. Stalks sturdy, well branched. A good grower. HM'55; JC'56. [Grand Canyon X (Lancaster x Three Oaks)]Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

BROADRIPPLE (Buss '52) M-36" Has been heralded for several years as "World's largest Iris." Impressive for its substance and form. Nobly proportioned with falls fully 3 3/4" across center and 2" at the haft. A lovely self, colored in soft aster-blue without a discordant note. Good branching and plenty of strength to support these huge blooms. Has been described as "positively epochal." Pollen viable, sets seed readily. [Violet Symphony X Vista Veronica]Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**

BY-LINE (DeForest '54) M-40" A sensational and very colorful yellow plicata. Among the largest of Iris, with standards in soft burgundy red with a creamy flush in the center; falls bright yellow with a wide border of heavily stippled dark burgundy red. Beard yellowish-orange with a tiny black signal line at its end. Excellent branching. A dandy! [(Tiffanja x Firecracker) X Rodeo].....Reg. \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**

CAROLINE JANE (DeForest '51) M-38" Flowers are enormous and the glistening white ground has a beautiful pattern of delicate blue markings. Wide in both standards and falls; falls flaring, ruffled. Seems to be a favorite wherever it is grown. One of the two Iris that stopped our 1956 A.I.S. convention visitors in their tracks. The other was CELESTIA. The 2 are "MUSTS" for every up-to-date Iris garden. HM'51; AM'55. [(Her Grace x Tiffany) X New Hope].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.90**

CHAMOIS (Kleinsorge '44) M-34" Immense, pure chamois self glistening with myriads of frosty particles. Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3, \$1.65; 10, \$5; 25, \$9.95**

COLOSSAL (Marx '46) E-32" Gigantic 7" flowers in smooth deep lavender. Like a larger Ormohr and two weeks earlier. Fragrant. [William Mohr X El Capitan].....Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

EVENGLOW (Clevenger '48) M-36" Probably the largest lavender—so large it will astound you. I measured flowers 7 1/2" across and 6" high. A lovely lobelia violet with a rosy cast. Flowers well tailored with unsurpassed substance.....Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **65c**

GOLDEN RUSSET (Hall '46) M-38" Simply enormous, often 7" high, falls 9" across when spread out. Buds 6" long, like huge cigars. A sumptuous beauty in light golden russet. Able to resist rain and wind. One to cause every visitor to gasp in amazement. Very fragrant. HM'47; AM'52. [(Invictus x #38-52) X Golden Eagle].....Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.05; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

MR. MOON (Weed '55) EM-52" Yes, Mr. Moon reaches for his namesake and in so doing sometimes attains a height of 62 inches, making this and the Oncobred Sespe the 2 tallest Iris in our garden. Simply wonderful for tall background plantings. A ruffled clear white with soft yellow beard, huge in size and quite sensational. [Snow Flurry X National White]Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

SOLID GOLD (Kleinsorge '51) ML-36" Huge in size and deepest, most intense yellow imaginable. Form is ideal, with very wide hafts. Intense color is remarkably fade-proof and lasting, even in the bright sun. Proving to be a superb parent; has yielded Front Page and Full Reward. AM'53. [#3938 X Ola Kala].....\$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3, \$2.40**

WITCH DOCTOR (Plough '55) E to L-28" A new giant that will be an eye-stopper in any garden for it is like an improved Conquest. Standards blue-lavender with buffy-tan midrib. Falls from center down are grayed-blue-lavender with buffy-tan haft and heart. Beard yellow, blue at tip. Starts early and blooms for a long season in the spring, & occasionally repeats in the summer. HM'56; JC'57; '59 C. White Award RU. [W-1 Cream Sdlg. X Capitola].....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

ZANTHA — Huge clear brilliant yellow. Won President's Cup in '47....Reg. \$1.25; on \$10 order **95c**

MY FAVORITE COLOSSALS — SPECIAL NO. 21 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in the Colossals for.....**\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00 or \$50.00** as you prefer

COLOR PLATE COLOSSALS — SPECIAL NO. 22 — Giant Mohr & Cloudcap for only.....**\$7.74**

FANCIER'S COLOSSALS — SPECIAL NO. 23 — Fortune's Gift & Snow Goddess for.....**\$6.95**

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BEGINNER'S COLOSSALS — SPECIAL NO. 25 — Any 5 of these 10: April Showers, Broadripple, By Line, Caroline Jane, Chamois, Golden Russett, Mr. Moon, Solid Gold, Witch Doctor, Zantha, for.....**\$6.95; all 10 for only \$12.95**

"The iris season brought much beauty into my yard, even though I lost many over the extremely hard winter that we had, the iris from Rainbow Gardens pulled through and did remarkably well." Johnny Fisher, Orwigsburg, Pennsylvania.

"I want to thank you for the many wonderful Iris you have sent me in the past. I had one of the best seasons of bloom this past spring I have ever seen. More than 300 people visited my garden. Thank you so much for the many courtesies shown me in the past, and I am looking forward to receiving my Iris this year." Leslie M. Shelor, Christiansburg, Virginia.

How many "Double Pleasure" Iris varieties do YOU have? Make the most of your space and grow more of the kinds that bloom twice and give you pleasure two or more times a year. (Pages 4 to 11.)

You'll Want These
Fascinating
New Approaches To

GREEN

Everyone seems to want greens and more greens. I have been continually asked why I don't group the widely-scattered "greens" all together, so everyone can find them quickly. So this year I've done just that. The Tall Bearded Greens are all here together, on this page and the next. The green Dwarfs and Medians are in the green box on the next page; and the Oncobred Greens are assembled in a green box on page 40. And, oh yes, the order blank is on page 21. None of these are bright leaf-green, as such Iris do not exist as yet. But they are very fascinating approaches to green from various directions.



GREEN CHANCE — Greenest Iris to Date — \$3.50

FEATURE OFFERING in Green Iris GREENEST OF ALL

GREEN CHANCE (Murray '55) EM-38" My nomination for the greenest Iris available today. It has more real green tones than any other Iris I have ever seen. So I have photographed it in color for you. As you can see, it is a fetching chartreuse bitone. Standards light green-chartreuse, strongly arched; falls large, slightly spreading, yellowish olive-green. Visitors are always astonished at the amount of green in this Iris when they suddenly run onto it in our garden. You can depend upon it, I am using this more than any other in my crosses for new and better greens. I find its pollen very abundant and fertile, and it is a very heavy seed setter. No one hybridizing for greens should be without it. Likely to sell out early this summer as this is the first year I've shown it in color. [Appointee X Green Pastures].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.75**

BLUE PARAKEET (Waters '50) M-L-42" Charming chicory blue very different from other blues. Hafts have decided greenish gold area extending nearly an inch down the fall. This feature not only produces a stunning flower, but also places Blue Parakeet among the various approaches to green now sought by every hybridizer. Even standards have flush of greenish gold. Perfumed flowers. HM'53 [Bandmaster X Azure Skies].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

★ **CHAR-MAIZE** (Lyon '49) M-44" Sea-foam chartreuse blended with deep yellow. Will delight flower arrangers seeking something different with real appeal. A large flower, heavy substance, withstands heat and wind. Has made name for itself, among fanciers and breeders. RU Dykes '53 [Snow Flurry X Aztec Copper].....Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50; 25, \$14.95**

CHARTREUSE CHALICE (Brown '58) 34" The newest, certainly among very finest of amazing new approaches to a real green Iris. Characterized by the hybridizer as a real super Iris. A chartreuse self, with addressed standards, flaring falls, brown veins at haft. Bright orange beard, fine substance, wide branching. A good grower, splendid increase. Sets seed. [New Horizon X Tinted Procelain].....Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

GREENBACK (Murray '55) EM-38" Here is a new addition to my offerings in the approaches to green. This is a big wide green-white with very green buds. Tall and splendidly branched. [Purissima X (Gloriole x Caroline Burr)].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$4.70**

GREEN DRAGON — Dependable fall bloomer, greenish-yellow, brown, lilac, page 6.
GREENGLOW M-40" A white with a strong suffusion of greenish-chartreuse. Very large ruffled flower, wide of parts. Has good quality, height, branching, substance. Appeals to all who like the unusual.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

GREEN HAT (Murray '55) M to L-38" See in life-like color. Next to Green Chance, in my opinion, as the best of the GREEN Iris available today for widespread planting at a very moderate price. Unique is certainly the word for this. Standards green-chartreuse, falls hazelnut-brown, edged with green of standards, set off with gold beard. Heavy substance. Produces 7 to 10 blooms per stalk. Wonderful for hybridizers; has two greenish Iris in its pedigree, Green Pastures and Appointee. You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24. [(Green Pastures x Melitza) X Appointee].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.50**

GREEN HOPE — Repeat-bloomer, often greener than Green Pastures, page 5.
★ **GREEN IVORY** (Muhlestein '53) ML-36" Huge greenish-ivory self of very full wide proportions. One stalk makes a full bouquet. In demand by breeders of greens for crossing with such things as Char-Maize, Greenglow, Mint Julep. Better get started! [Desert Song X Sister to Greenglow].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

★ **GREEN PASTURES** (Heller '47) EML-48" One of closest approaches to green yet available. A delightful chartreuse yellow in pastel tints. Touch of blue at tip of yellowish olive beard most effective; accentuates cool green tones. Huge, tall, free flowering. Starts early, often still in good condition when late varieties come out. Reported hardy in Iowa, but some in cold climates protect rhizomes over winter with a good mulch. Introduced at \$30.00. Extremely popular, outselling all other approaches to green; in fact, it outsold all other varieties. I sent out over 1,000 rhizomes, yet over 100 people were disappointed as they got their order in too late to get Green Pastures. A word to the wise is sufficient—order TODAY. Pollen is abundant, highly fertile; excellent seed setter. Now is the time to get a start so you can begin crossing with various greenish tones. You may well come up with a world beater. HC'45; HM'47 [Old Ironsides X Oregon Sunshine] See in color.....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1; 3, \$2.85; 10, \$7.50; 25, \$14.95**

"The greatest Iris I have ever grown in my garden is GREEN PASTURES, which I got from you some years ago. It is in demand all the time and sells like hot cakes." Royce D. Spinkston, Millswood, South Australia.

"Your Iris made quite a splash at the Spring Flower Show. Green Pastures won Judge's Choice for Horticulture." Charlene Coquat, Three Rivers, Texas.

GREEN SHADOWS (Sass '43) M-38" Here are green tones in a large flower of fetching light buff chartreuse. Well formed, heavy substance. Try crossing with other "greens." [Jean Cayeux X Amitola].....Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.10**

GREEN TINGE (Noyd '58) ML-30" This new arrival is a sister of the famed Angela Mia, and one that should be very useful to hybridizers working for greens. A white self with backs of falls green, and green-gold at the haft, and with buds that are quite green. A glance at the parentage will show you that this brings new blood lines into green breeding. [Dixie Belle X Spanish Peaks].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

HOT MUSTARD (Nelson '57) ML-42" As name implies, there is nothing mild about this new bitone in bright sulphur yellow. Whole flower has a greenish glow and it fairly screams for attention. Falls wide, flaring, very deep in color; standards lighter. Highlighted by an orange beard. Tall stalks with 3 branches and terminal.....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$7.10**

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← **BENTON OLIVE** (Morris '49) E-M-36" See color plate. A very popular novelty in silvery olive-buff. I imported this from England as there are none like it in this country. A subtle new coloring, proving very useful to arrangers. Enough green in its makeup to cause it to be used by every hybridizer working toward greens. Very good pollen. Sometimes blooms in Summer or Autumn. Reg. \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.75**

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the Rainbow and
the Peacock.

MINT JULEP (Recknor '53) M-36" Has a chartreuse coloring very similar to that of Char-Maize. A large full flower. Introduced as a **breeding Iris** for those interested in this elusive green coloration. Well branched. HC'52 Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**

MYSTIC LEGEND — Intriguing blend of many colors, including green, page 32.

NONA (Davidson '58) ML-38" The newest arrival to our garden in this green category that is increasing in popularity by leaps and bounds. Reports from several Iris fanciers indicate that when Nona has had an opportunity to demonstrate its virtue it **may well lead** the whole green parade. Unquestionably it is a great advance in this coveted color class, for it has frequently been characterized as the **clearest and cleanest chartreuse-green yet seen**. A tailored flower of perfection done in a light satiny chartreuse or yellow-green. Domed standards and nicely flaring falls, with a form that takes after its seed-parent. Bred in eastern Washington with temperatures of -20° and no snow cover. The tweezer-toters are already at work with this and you'll want to join them. Pollen known to be fertile; will pod, tho with some difficulty. [Char-Maize X Cloveley]..... Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$13.35; 3 for \$38.05**

OKLAHOMA M-41" Bewitching sea-foam green & buff..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **95c**

***** **Greenish STAR PERFORMER** *****

★ **RIVIERA** (Plough '57) ML-34" Here indeed is a star performer for it **always** attracts attention wherever grown. Quite a new approach to green as this is a very large Dresden yellow, with a **blue-white center to the falls that tends to give it a greenish cast**. Falls large and rounded with edges lightly laced. This has been so well liked that it was a **runner-up for the Judges' Choice** in '58, and received **51 votes in the '59 Judges' Choice**—a group of Iris which are the elite of the really new ones. So don't pass this up if you want something outstanding and beautiful. [(Gold Ruffles x Cherie) X Twenty Grand].

★ Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$7.50; 3 for \$21.40** ★

TRANQUILITY (Fay '50) ML-38" Don Waters says "A flaring white Iris with green shadows throughout. Very good." Most cool and refreshing. **Useful to breeders, particularly those working toward greens.** AM'53 [Snow Flurry X Katherine Fay]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

★ **VEILED IN MYSTERY** (Milliken '51) EM-38" Mysterious and very lovely is this most unusual color break—a **satin white with an ethereal dusting of the palest chartreuse**. Standards and falls **exquisitely fluted and ruffled**. Another special feature is its unusual **full violet beard**, setting this apart from others, giving it unusual beauty. Has created a sensation among flower lovers and hybridizers alike. Introduced at \$35.00; now down to where Iris fans everywhere can enjoy it..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

"The Veiled in Mystery I bought from you in 1955 is simply terrific, and very, very lovely." Mildred M. Hancock.

WEDDING BOUQUET — Lovely green-tinged white, opening from chartreuse buds. Page 34.

WHITE ADMIRAL (Morris '50) 36" Remarkable English creation not listed elsewhere in America as far as I am aware. Described by one writer as "**greenest white I have ever seen**." A superb new white of **great size**, splendid substance, with strong, well-domed standards, large, widely flaring falls. A pale green glow within throat intensifies ice-blue white of remainder of flower. Beard pale amethyst, tipped yellow. Outstanding, both for fancier and breeder. Pollen plentiful..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

WINGED GODDESS (Lyon '56) M-36" A color most fitting for this atomic age—standards very **light uranium green**, flushed with **bluebird blue** on the inside base; falls slightly tinted in pale uranium green, with an overcast of very soft bluebird blue washed from **beard done in medium blue**. Outer edges of ruffled petals have a faint flush of light mimosa yellow. A big, tall, stately flower with an irresistible appeal, a character all its own. Comes from **wonderful parents**, so should be fine for the hybridizer. [(Char-Maize x Green Pastures) X self]..... Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.35; 3 for \$21.30**

YELLOW ORGANDY (Rees '52) L-42" Crisp as starched organdy, this pale yellow, **green-tinged blossom** is so **heavily ruffled** it appears almost shirred. Large 6-inch flowers on four-branched stalks holding 12 buds. [(Snow Flurry x Happy Days) X Ming Yellow]. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

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TANGERINE-BEARDED Iris —(Cont. from page 27)

Tangerine-Bearded REDS

FIREBIRD (Tompkins '54) ML-38" Hollyhock red and aster purple has a **fiery scarlet-tangerine beard** which gives a color combination of unusual brilliance. Large flowers of good substance with smooth finish. Plants are hardy, increase rapidly, and have long, well-branched stalks. Pollen very abundant. [(Cape Bon x Seashell) x Sib.] X Color Carnival] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

★ **GARNET GLOW** ML-36" First bright rosy red self with red tangerine beard. Striking large flowers. Unusual..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**

PRAIRIE JEWEL (Sass '53) ML-38" Has the **most novel coloring** of any of the red-bearded Iris. Standards done in apricot with a purple glow; falls sharply contrasting, dahlia-red, with a vivid red beard and apricot haft markings. This **unexpected combination of color holds one spellbound with the fascination of the unusual**. A large flower with well-domed standards and broad falls, giving a gleaming jewel-like finish. Tall and well-branched. A promising parent. HM'53 [Involving Ola Kala, Dore, Matula, Flora Zenor, Rainbow Room, etc.]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**

Tangerine-Bearded BLUES and PURPLES

★ **BLUE ABALONE** — The only blue with tangerine beard. Oncobreds, page 39.

COLOR RIOT — A **riotous contrast** of rose and crimson-purple, orange-red beard, p. 10.

MARSALA (DeForest '48) ML-34" A **beauty**. An improved Pagan Princess, **deeper color with a beard more of a reddish-orange**. Flower is fuller and falls broader, especially at hafts, close to 2" wide. Bright Persian Rose coloring attracts visitors from afar. [Sister of Color Carnival]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.55; 3 for \$7.25**



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★ **BLARNEY** (Welch '50) E-5" Standards white with faint lilac veins. Falls **pale olive green**, heavily washed in soft dark lavender. Beard prominent, nearly white. A "must" for all working toward green Iris. [(Fiancee x Fairy) X Cook 1546]..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75**

DOXA VE-20" Standards **pale cream veined green**. Fine for arrangements. Falls **silvery white, flushed greenish yellow**, haft veined soft brown..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**

★ **GREEN HALO** (Greenlee '55) E-14" Interesting **light olive-green**, deeper green halo on flaring falls. Well shaped flowers. [(10942 x Pumila) X (Blue Shimmer x Carpathia)]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

GREEN SPOT (Cook '51) E-12" A color break for your special attention. Imagine a **trim pure white** with horizontal falls having a half-inch patch of **almost unbelievable bright medium green** at end of beard. Holds possibilities for breeders.

HM'51 [Cook TB No. 10942 X Yellow Pumila]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$5; 25 for \$9.95**

GREEN GODDESS EE-4" Creamy white with pronounced greenish cast—in fact **one of the greenest dwarfs** that I list. Though a real midget, only 4" high, it has flowers among **largest of Dwarfs**, often over 4" across. **An extremely heavy, persistent bloomer**, not only flowering in the spring, but often also in fall, and even in winter where climate permits..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**

★ **SNOW FAIRY** (Robinson '54) VE-6" A miniature with standards icy blue-white, falls greenish white. Profuse pollen. [April Morn X Pumila]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.55; 10 for \$7.50**

GREEN PETALS (Welch '55) EE-7" New bitone in 2 tones of green. Standards pale creamy-green, falls darker green. Beard white, tipped yellow. **Pleasingly fragrant**. [(Fairy x Fiancee) X Pumila]..... Reg. \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

★ **ALLAH** (Doriot '57) EE-15" A whimsical and **daring color pattern** not duplicated in any other Iris. Just imagine this Ripley's Believe-it-or-not color combination: Standards **light blue**, ribbed in green veins; falls **startling parrot-green**, edged blue and with an **orange-tangerine beard tipped white**. No gardener who likes to be up-to-date will want to be long without this ruffled color gem. Fertile both ways, so it opens up intriguing mind's-eye vistas. HC'56, HM'57 [Snow Flurry X Welch K 505 pumila]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

DIRTY FACE (Welch '55) VE-6" Dainty spinach to chartreuse green self. Well formed flowers, very appealing. [Sister to Dream Child]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

Also see page 41 for additional Dwarfs and Medians

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Paradoxical? Yes, but a real money-saver if there ever was one. Below are 10 much-sought Iris heralded and made known, yet it is a secret as to how they can be secured at 3 for the DISCOUNTED price of 1. Just to make sure that YOU read all of my special offers and other helpful material in this Catalog-Guidebook, I have placed final capitals in sentences of the text that are NOT variety descriptions. In each of 10 such paragraphs there are two secret words, each with a final capital. The two final capitals in each pair are the same.

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I have brought together for you in concentrated, verified form, a summary of my own experiences and those of many of my customers. To this has been added valuable information from well over 100 books, bulletins and articles on growing and hybridizing ALL types of Iris: Bearded, Beardless, Bulbous, etc. In this way you can have practically everything you need to know, available in one place without extensive searching. Included, for example, is various material directly from two of the most significant of all published works on Iris, namely, W. R. Dykes' "Handbook of Garden Irises" and his monumental work "The Genus Iris."

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(See also page 20 and back of 1st coupon. Contest closes June 30)

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Hybridizer's Column

Hybridizing Is Easy, Profitable, Lots of Fun

You'll live longer — and better — if you have an absorbing and profitable hobby that repeatedly, year after year, gives you something interesting and exciting to look forward to. I challenge anyone to suggest a hobby that will accomplish this as surely and effectively as does Iris hybridizing. Already thousands of my customers have tried it, and nearly all of them are rapidly becoming enthusiastic amateur hybridizers, almost overnight.

Get in now on this new hobby that can become really profitable. Amateurs often produce world beaters. New Iris may sell for up to \$100 per rhizome; introductory prices of \$20 to \$25 are common. Put your spare time in on this absorbing hobby and watch results. My yearly GUIDEBOOKS keep you right up to date.

To learn the vital flower parts see Ektachrome of Melody Lane, page 5. The 3 reddish beards have nothing to do with pollination. Above the center beard is the cream-colored anther, containing the pollen. Remove an anther from a flower of one variety, and rub the pollen grains onto the top of the stigma of the variety to be pollinated. Stigma is the curved lip just above the anther. Many helpful details in my MANUAL.

My Exclusive HYBRIDIZER'S KIT

Anyone can start the fascinating hobby of Iris Hybridizing with ease with my Exclusive RAINBOW HYBRIDIZING KIT. The most vital items are 2 special tweezers I had made to order for this purpose. The Anther-collecting Tweezers have special flat rounded points that permit collecting the anthers without injuring the delicate and vital style arms. The Clamp-style Pollinating Tweezers are designed to hold the anthers firmly and thus eliminate the strain of pollinating. The Kit also includes the following additional items: 36 Special Sliding Pollen Boxes; 100 Pollination Tags in four colors; 2 Weatherproof Pencils; 50 seed bags; 15 printed Record Cards; 1 copy of the leaflet "Technique for Iris Hybridization." Price postpaid \$6.25; 2 for \$12.25

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I have tried many ways of hastening the naturally slow germination of Iris seed, but none is as simple and effective as my Rainbow Germination Stimulant. My extensive, carefully-controlled tests have shown it will often double or quadruple the germination of seed of Bearded Iris in a short time — and the quicker you get your precious hybrid seeds to germinate, the sooner you will have bloom. See my SUPPLEMENT for detailed results with seed of different types of Iris. Exact quantity to make 1 quart of solution, with full directions for use. Orders for Stimulant unacceptable from California due to high license fee. \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75; 10 for \$7.95

KEY TO DATA TO HELP YOU SELECT AND PLAN

To help Iris lovers and amateur hybridizers, I give the following data in my variety descriptions: originator, year of introduction, season of bloom, height in inches, description, awards, parentage in square brackets, price. Latest (1959) awards are in red.

I recommend particularly Iris recently honored by Awards of American Iris Society:

- Dykes — Dykes Memorial Medal. (Highest.)
- AM — Award of Merit. (Next to Highest.)
- HC — High Commendation.
- JC — Judge's Choice. (Best of the NEW ones.)
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I am proud to display the "Shield of Quality" symbol of the National Mail Order Nurserymen's Association. You can buy with confidence where you see this shield.



Popular New Race of TANGERINE-BEARDED Iris

World's Largest Assemblage — 66 Varieties from 22 Hybridizers

Here's where you'll find new color combinations **entirely without precedent** — combinations which only a few years ago simply did not exist. Be the first in your neighborhood to display an eye-catching assortment of red or tangerine beards on flowers of various colors. This race occupies pages 25 to 27; continued on page 19.

Tangerine-Bearded YELLOWS

CHINESE LANTERN (Fay '57) M-40" From Dykes Medal **Mary Randall** crossed with famous **Techny Chimes**, which gives it superb blood for the hybridizer. Large smooth **deep yellow**, sporting a **tangerine beard**. Vigorous, producing tall, well branched stalks. Wonderful substance and remarkable lasting quality. **HM'58** [Mary Randall X Techny Chimes].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

FLAME KISS (Plough '58) EM-40" A new and delightful combination—the first of its kind, a sharply colored **yellow amoena set off by a bright red beard**. Unique coloring consists of pure white standards with Dresden Yellow base; falls Dresden Yellow. Will give distinction to any garden. From two famous parents. **HM'59; RU-JC'59** [Gay Paree X Palomino].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

FLAMING GOLD (Austin '57) **See in full color.** M-L-42" Hybridizers and fanciers alike have long envisioned a yellow Iris with a tangerine beard. Standards creamy yellow, with hint of pink. Falls glistening light yellow with deep yellow hafts, a large brilliant orange-tangerine beard. Tangerine beard even more striking against yellow ground than against customary pink ground. Standards nicely closed, falls semi-flaring, gently waved. Starts blooming early; still going strong when late ones come out. Branching excellent. Will stop your neighbors in their tracks. Has pollen and sets seed. [Cloudcap X Hi-Time] **You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words.** See page 24.....Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.35**

FRANCES KENT (DeForest '51) M-36" Standards lemon cream, flushed pink. Falls cream, flaring, tangerine beard. Quite novel. **AM'54**.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

GARDEN GOLD (Hall '56) M-36" Large full flower in solid **deep chrome-yellow** extending thruout flower except for **startling fiery orange-red beard**. Greatly admired. Should prove wonderful for crossing with my new Flaming Gold to obtain the ultimate in red-bearded yellows. **HM'58**.....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95**

TECHNY CHIMES (Bro. Charles '55) EM-36" Magnetic newcomer. Will call you from across the garden. Large clear luminous yellow, startling orange-tangerine beard. We've had yellows with yellow or white beards for decades but **these new ones with tangerine beards attract a lot more attention.** Flower full, perfectly formed; standards and falls slightly ruffled. Substance, branching both good. **AM'57, RU-DYKES '59.** [Involving: Sunray, Dolly Varden, Overture, etc.].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$7.10**

Tangerine-Bearded WHITES & CREAMS

ARCTIC BLUSH (Austin '58) M-40" A beautiful new white with **pristine purity of arctic snow drifts.** Stands out for its height, extra large, superbly formed flowers & particularly for its coloration. While most whites have an influence of yellow, blue or lilac, this distinctive creation has a **very noticeable blush of pink permeating every part of the flower**, especially the standards. Beard **bright tangerine**. This almost unbelievable color, together with a satiny finish and lovely form, give this superb elegance—a delight to fanciers and backyard gardeners alike. **Exotically perfumed**, reminding one of a tropical orchid. Will occasionally rebloom in late fall; when it does, likely to surpass any other in bloom at the time. Try it. Pollen abundant. [Pink Tower X Pink Talcum].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

GAY LAVINIA (Schreiber '54) ML-38" My first offering in a glowing **pure white** with a **red beard**. My customers have asked for this for years. Exuberantly rich tangerine-red beard provides distinction as contrasty as paprika on a bowl of fluffy snow-white rice. Be among the first to display this original creation. **HM'56** [Inspiration X (32-46 x Cherry Flip)].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.85**

GAY PAREE (Plough '56) M-38" The widely heralded gay colorful carnival affair you've been waiting for—a **snowy white self with overlay of chartreuse gold. Beard heavy, geranium-red.** Branching low, excellent. Already the parent of some startling seedlings. Fertile both ways. **HM'56** [(Hall Pink Sdlg. x The Capitol) X (Loomis Pink Sdlg. x Golden Eagle)].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

PALOMINO — Truly memorable — \$2.00
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FLAMING GOLD — New, startling — \$12.50

MISS UTAH (Wallace '56) ML-34" A very pale pink self that is almost a white with a suggestion of light orchid tones. Beard **strawberry-tangerine.** Has the **finest ruffling and fluting found in this class.** Has great breeding possibilities. Pollen good. [Cathedral Bells X Crosby No. 52-6].....Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.35; 3 for \$21.30**

NEW ADVENTURE (Muhlestein '54) EM-36" **First of a new race!** At last a plicata with a tangerine beard. For hybridizers, should be what name implies, basis for **exploratory breeding** to obtain new plicatas with the much-wanted tangerine beard. Ground cream with pinkish-violet markings. A bright beard adds the spark that sets it off. Really gay and charming. Good size and substance. Well branched stalks. [Loomis Seashell plicata X Pink Formal].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.95**

PIANISSIMO (Edmison '54) M-35" A hardy Canadian break in color. Standards pale peach; falls white bordered with an amber-peach band, sporting a white beard tipped with peach. **Try placing it with whites or pale blues, and watch its lovely color sing.** Abundantly fertile.....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**

Tangerine-Bearded APRICOTS

APRICOT GLORY (Muhlestein '51) M-L-36" Clear rich apricot, deepening at heart of flower. Substance heavy, falls nicely flaring. An excellent parent. **AM'56**.....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

APRICOT SUPREME M-40" A large gleaming apricot-pink; beard geranium pink. Well formed, Stalks tall, fine branching, luxuriant foliage. Fertile pollen, sets seed.....Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**

FLAMING BEARD (Noyd '58) L-28" A new origination that takes my fancy. May prove more useful to the breeder of better pinks than any other recent release. Remarkable feature is **amazing red-tangerine beard extending farther down on falls than beard of any other Iris.** Color is peachy apricot with a strong contrast between the color of the beard and that of the falls. A real attention-getter. I'm using it heavily in my crossings. A good seed setter with abundant pollen. [(Buffawn x Pink Seedling) x New Horizon) X Salmon Shell].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$8.50; 3 for \$24.25**

MELODY LANE (Hall '49) EM-36" Quite often reblooms in Summer, so you'll find **color plate on page 5.** Ideal for adding an entirely new color note to **YOUR Iris Rainbow.** Pleasingly fragrant. A splendid seed setter, exceptionally fertile pollen. **HM'50, AM'52**.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

"Melody Lane is exquisite and all that your catalog claims it to be. You may be interested in knowing, too, that it proved to be by far my strongest grower and most profuse bloomer. The rhizome you sent me produced ten flower stalks, not one of which had less than seven blossoms, and all were perfect in color and formation. Satisfactory is hardly the word."—Page G. Nourse, Newark, Delaware.

ORANGE CREAMO (Muhlestein '53) ML-36" A luscious apricot-orange color gem of very heavy substance, satiny finish. Very close to the true orange, a color that carries very well. Superb blood for pinks, rose-orchid shades, and orange tones. No haft markings, beard orange. **HC'52** [(Salmon Shell x Pink Formal) X Apricot Glory].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**

FEATURE OFFERING in Tangerine Bearded

PALOMINO (Hall '52) E-M-36" Color pattern so distinct it **stands out.** Standards coppery pink sharply contrasting with ivory falls prominently bordered in coppery amber. Beard rich **red-tangerine, bright as a bonfire**, wonderfully effective against ivory falls. A huge Iris of splendid form and substance, with such a marvelous color effect that it will indeed transform any garden. Some feel that the Flamingos are too much alike but Palomino has no counterpart. To see it is to want it! **My color picture shows you why.** **AM'54; [Hi-Time X 46.31]**.....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.75**

TEMPLE BELLS (Hall '52) Heavy reddish-orange beard sets it apart as most stunning apricot-yellow of our generation. Interests hybridizers, as it is from Dolly Varden, one of largest of Flamingos. **HM'52; AM'54** [Fuchsia X Dolly Varden].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

TOP FLIGHT (Hall '53) M-34" A luscious smooth apricot pink that wins the praise of every visitor. Beard **fiery orange-red, very thick and heavy.** Indescribably beautiful. **AM'55, JC'55** [Hall pink lines].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.10; 3 for \$3.15; 10 for \$7.50**

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FLAMINGO PINKS with Tangerine-Beards

- ★ **BENTON OPHELIA** (Morris '51) ML-36" A delicately lovely flower of fine size and form. Light, rosy flesh pink deepening at the throat. Falls highlighted by bright apricot beard. Falls semi-flaring, of great substance; no venations or shading to mar the beauty. **Bronze Medal '50** Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**
- BRIGHT FUCHSIA** (Austin '57) ML-40" Brightest of my fuchsia colored pinks, of extra large size. Flowers copiously formed. Standards arched, meeting, having an embossed pebbled effect around edges. Might be called a very much improved Fuchsia, with a much smoother, brighter flower and a redder beard. Whereas Fuchsia is usually only 24" to 30" high, this new one is up to 42", makes a much brighter display. A good seed setter and plenty of pollen for hybridizing. Parents as famous as they come. [Cherie X Pink Formal] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**
- CHERRY FLIP** (Schreiner '51) E-34" A real color gem, among the pinkest of Flamingos. A soft enamel sheen, a fiery tangerine beard give it distinction. Most effective as a landscape subject. Very free blooming. [(SQ51 x Mulberry Rose) x SQ70) X D. Hall 4205] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.20; 3 for \$3.40; 10 for \$7.50**
- CLOUDCAP** — Largest of all Flamingo Pinks, see Colossals, page 44.
- CONVENTION QUEEN** (Muhlestein '54) M-L-40" Very large broad-petaled heavily laced peach pink with excellent substance. Color rich apricot-salmon. Beard red tangerine. Tell's best from cross that gave some true pinks with pink beards. **HM'55; JC'56** [Salmon Shell X Pink Fulfillment] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**
- CURTIS A** ML-38" Light flamingo pink; large, full formed. Falls broad, geranium-red beard. Stalks nicely branched. May re-bloom in Sept. Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10, \$5.00**
- DAWN PINK** (Nesmith '53) ML-38" Even deeper in color than Courtier. The bright color has great carrying power. Many visitors claim this to be the pinkest Iris in the garden. A bitone, standards clear shell pink, falls deeper azalea pink, nonfading. Beard red tangerine. A very heavy bloomer. **HC'52, HM'53** [Barbara Luddy x 43-25A) X Courtier] Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**
- DOLLY VARDEN** (Hall '50) M-34" Largest pink in famous Hall series. A very pleasing blended pink with an overlay of salmon. Proving to be a good parent for large pinks. Seed parent of several fine new pinks. **RU-AM'53** [Fantasy X Courtier] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.35**
- FIRST CURTAIN** — Superb true pink self, very lacy. See page 14.
- FLAMINGO BAY** (Muhlestein '53) EM-36" Certainly among the best of Tell's famous strain of new pinks. A vivid deep flamingo self, with a deep tangerine beard. Flower large with fine form and substance. Pollen good. [Cherie X Pink Formal] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**
- FLIRTATION** (Benson '56) M-38" This is for those who want lots of color in their pinks, as it is perhaps the deepest pink yet. A luscious intense deep pink self with a fiery red beard. Flowers large, of good substance and with clean hafts. Stalks sturdy, branched. A rapid increaser. The intense color stands fast thruout the life of the flower. Already proving a fine parent; produces heavily ruffled and laced pink offspring. **HC'50; HM'56** [Involving Pink Formal and Hall Sdgs.]. Reg. \$8; on \$10 order **\$5.35; 3 for \$13.65**
- ★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** (Hall '52) EM-ML-36" Close to the top of Dave Hall's creations. Imagine a flower in the deep rich coloring of Heritage but twice as large. Flowers are beautifully ruffled. Has lots of vigor, will form a heavy blooming clump for you in a hurry. Very long blooming season. May repeat in fall. **AM'54; RU-Dykes '56, '57, '59**. [From Hall flamingo pinks] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**
- JUNE MEREDITH** (Muhlestein '54) ML-36" My favorite! Believed to be the pinkest flamingo to date, and acclaimed by many for its depth and purity of color. A heavy tangerine-red beard adds greatly to the effectiveness of the bright coloring. One of the few real advances in deep flamingo pinks. Flowers large, with broad petals and excellent form and substance. Pollen produced profusely. You can't go wrong on this charming, richly colored pink. **JC'55; AM'56; TOP RU-Dykes both '58 & '59** [Party Dress X Pink Fulfillment] Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**
- LYNN HALL** (Hall '57) M-36" Fourth from top of '59 Awards of Merit; only flamingo to receive this coveted award. So a start of this will bring your garden right up to date. Principal reason for its exceptional popularity is that it is the deepest pink seedling that has been raised in the Hall garden—a very deep, uniform shade of luscious pink. Any Iris lover in quest of a "deeper" pink will be well pleased. Large, free flowering, borne on finely branched stalks. Increases vigorously. Hybridizers everywhere will want this to give depth of color to their offspring. **JC'58; Near top of '59 Awards of Merit** Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**



PINK FULFILLMENT — Superb in form, color — \$20

- MARY RANDALL** (Fay '51) M-36" Most sought of all Flamingo pinks. Popularity climaxed by winning Dykes in '54. A deep rose pink self with a bright red-tangerine beard. A splendid break in color termed Bengal Rose. A large flower with remarkable thickness of petals, hafts wide, free from markings, falls round, flaring, with a rippled edge. A flower of near perfection on strong stalks with well-spaced branches. Superb for hybridizers; pollen amazingly fertile. Produces wonderful seedlings. [New Horizon X (Pink Cameo x Cherie)] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**
- MAY HALL** (Hall '54) Color clear and bright — a light pink near that of Happy Birthday, but with different form and vivid tangerine beard. Close to true pink, slightly salmon. A good seed-setter, much in demand. Fine branching. **JC'55, AM'56** [Dolly Varden X 49-13] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$3.30**
- MEMPHIS BELLE** (Pierce '52) EM-36" A bright raspberry-rose-pink of great garden value, with a bright tangerine beard. Its extreme floriferousness is its crowning virtue. Characterized by Mrs. Reynolds as "The largest, tallest, lustiest pink I've seen." Will brighten up your garden in a hurry. **HC'51; HM'52** [Fantasy X Pink Cameo] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65**
- MISSION ROSE** (Bro. Charles '55) ML-36" A seedling of Mary Randall that is a definite improvement on its illustrious parent, with a brighter and better old rose color and taller stalks with more flowers. Falls lighter in the center and adorned with bright red beard. Substance good; a strong grower, producing perfectly branched stems. In heavy demand. [Mary Randall X D. Hall pink sdg.] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.25; 3 for \$6.40**

COLOR

CARNIVAL →

COLOR CARNIVAL (DeForest '49) EM-36" Stop traffic with a flamboyant Iris; plant COLOR CARNIVAL where passersby can get a look at it! One you are bound to have sooner or later. Sets seed, pollen fertile. **HM'50** [Spindrift X ((Salar x Sandia) x Prairie Sunset)] \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25, 3 for \$3.55; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

← **BENTON OBERON** (Morris '52) ML-34" My color plate shows the exceptional brightness and arresting color scheme of this one from England. Courtly, trim flower in bright fuchsia-heliotrope with a very prominent, contrasting beard in bright red tangerine. Good size, fine substance, heavy bloomer. \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95 3 for \$5.55**

Color Carnival and Strathmore for \$3.65
Plus Benton Oberon,
All 3 for \$5.50



ORIENTAL PEARL (Lyon '56) M-38" A light medium orient pink with a flush of coral pink, brushed spinel pink in the center. Beard contrasting deep mars orange. Greatly admired by visitors and will be eagerly sought. Beautifully branched from low down, four branches and terminal. Sets seed. HC'55; HM'57 [(Spindrift x Hall pink sdg.) x Carabella] X Pink Formal]..... Regularly \$12.00; on \$20 order **\$7.95**

PARADISE PINK L-32" The pinkest \$1.00 Iris and one no beginner should pass up. Beard red-tangerine..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

PEPPERMINT PINK (Buss '55) M-44" A seedling of Pink Talcum that is larger and pinker, and with the yellow influence greatly subdued. Close to a true pink with a very contrasty tangerine beard. Tall, vigorous, dependable..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.10; 3 for \$3.15; 10 for \$7.50**

PINK CAMEO E-36" Salmon pink, tangerine beard..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**

PINK CAVALIER (Wallace '55) 50" A tall, showy, reddish-salmon-pink, with a flaming strawberry-red beard. Buds intense red salmon. Flowers 5½ to 6". Many of blooms meet one at eye level. Imagine what this may do in improving the height and branching in your breeding. Has lace-edged Midwest Gem in its pedigree! [Hall's 41-10 x Midwest Gem] X Orange Pink Seedling]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.00**

PINK CHIMES (Hall '57) M-34" This new Iris reminds one of the very pink Pink Sensation but the flower is considerably larger and the color a deeper truer pink with a smooth overlay of old gold near the base of the standards. There is no veining and the beard is fiery tangerine. Prolific in growth and very free flowering. One that will be greatly admired in YOUR garden. HM'57 [Two pink seedlings]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

PINK ENCHANTMENT (Muhlestein '54) E-M-34" Deepest and truest in color of any pink I have seen. Not as large as June Meredith, or Pink Fulfillment, nor as well formed; but the color alone will simply bowl you over. A brilliant cerise pink beard adds to the already stunning color. Proving a remarkable parent for deepening the pink color in seedlings. Holds its deep color well in the sun. Pollen usually good. Has already yielded the enchanting Frosted Lace. JC'55; AM'57 [Raspberry Ice Cream X 49-11]..... Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$13.35; 3 for \$34.05**

PINK FORMAL E-L-40" Finest dollar pink with red beard. Outstanding for color, substance and seed-setting ability..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

*****Tangerine-Bearded STAR PERFORMER*****

PINK FULFILLMENT (Muhlestein '54) ML-38" See my new color photo. Tell's fabulous flamingo, winner of the '54 President's Cup, and scarce and in heavy demand ever since. I advise ordering the day this catalog reaches you. A pink that sets a new standard for size, substance, quality and real beauty. Full round, flaring flowers with broad, heavily-substanced petals. Comes from the world-famous Pink Formal, but is a truer pink and has finer quality and substance. Proving to be one of the most remarkable breeders for superb new pinks ever known. The one cross "Party Dress X Pink Fulfillment" has already yielded at least three very outstanding Iris: June Meredith, First Curtain and Late Apricot. Now it's your turn to get in on the excitement! HM'54; AM'56 [Involving Gold Ruffles, Alice Harding and Type Dore].

*****Regularly \$20.00; on \$30.00 order **\$17.50*******

PINK SENSATION VE-33" A true, light pink, sporting bright orange-red beard. Novel lacinated petal edges. HM'50; AM'52..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

PINK SYMPHONY — Blooms heavily in the spring and then some of the rhizomes rebloom off and on all summer. So I also list it with my Summer Bloomers (page 4) where you will find full description and my new natural-color photograph.

✶ **PINK TALCUM** ML-46" Stunning peach-blossom pink, red beard, 6" spread..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.65; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

PINK TOWER — One of tallest, largest of Flamingo Pinks. Bright geranium red beard. Sets seed, fertile pollen..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**

PRETTY PINK (Murray '56) M-37" A very large, wide light rose pink with a deep pink beard. Falls flaring. Standards closed. Stalks tall, exceptionally well branched with many flowers to the stalk. Sets seed well. [Golden Eagle X Spindrift x Pink Cameo]..... Reg. \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

RADIATION E-32" Vivid raspberry pink; beard red-tangerine. Large, with domed standards, semi-flaring falls. HM'48; AM'50..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **80c; 3 for \$2.30**

ROSE DELIGHT — A lacy treat with tangerine beard, page 15.

ROSE SAILS (Pierce '55) 36" A very pleasing seedling of Memphis Belle, it is more rose in color and with the same fine growing habits. Standards closed, falls very flaring. Highly praised by the experts. Pollen plentiful. HC'53; JC'58 [Memphis Belle X Twilight Sky]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

STRATHMORE (Morris '49) EM-32" See color plate. A flower of remarkable purity and trueness of color. Exceptionally smooth, precise styling. A good seed setter and pollen parent. Very high among desirable parents in breeding flamingo pinks, to bring in fresh blood from overseas. Personally selected by H. M. Queen Mother Elizabeth and named for her own home. [Edward of Windsor X Hall Pink seedling]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.50; 3 for \$7.15**

TRULY FAIR (Plough '56) E-L-46" A wide full flower in bright medium pink, with an intense red-tangerine beard. Has many good qualities, including long-lasting flowers. Will make a beautiful clump in your garden. HM'56 [Cloudcap X Pink Formal]..... Regularly \$4.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95**

WIDE AWAKE (Lapham '53) M-36" Probably the most stunning of all the new pinks, from the viewpoint of its huge flame-scarlet beard. Here is an Iris that will make a conversation piece in any garden. A beautifully formed light buff pink; slightly ruffled; excellent texture and substance. HM'53 [Premier Peach x (Isabellina x Spindrift) X Paradise Pink]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$7.50**

WINGED FUCHSIA (Austin '57) ML-42" A bright fuchsia-pink self with a red-tangerine beard. Falls so heavily substantiated they flare out like the wings of a bird in flight, giving the flower a six inch spread. A clump of Winged Fuchsia is so bright and colorful that it stands out across the garden and attracts everyone's attention. The horizontal falls are beautifully waved and have a quaint dip in the center. You'll love this one! Pollen very abundant. [Radiation X Pink Formal]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

For Tangerine-Bearded Reds & Blues see page 19.

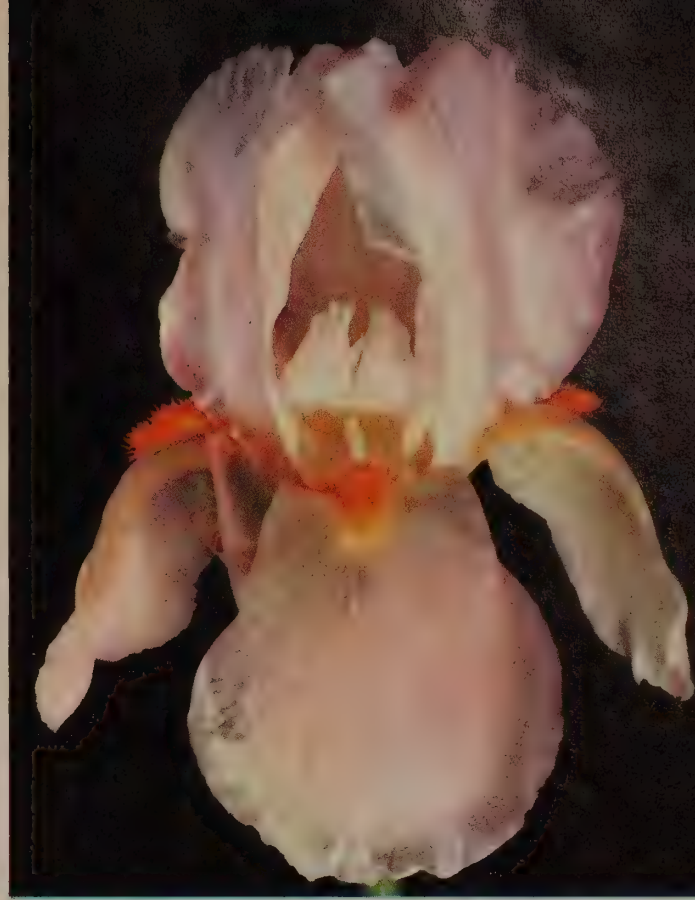
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STRATHMORE — From England — \$3.00

VISITORS' FAVORITE

Each year I select the Iris best liked and most talked about by the many visitors to our garden. In '59 **TANGERINE CARNIVAL** caught the eye of more people than any other. So I photographed it in color (see below) so my many distant friends, who cannot visit the garden, can see why it was so much admired.

TANGERINE CARNIVAL (Austin '57) ML-34" At last, an Iris that outdoes Color Carnival in real attention-getting ability. Standards and falls light pink. Falls almost completely covered with purple veins, giving a highly distinctive effect. Falls remarkably broad, with width carrying right up to the haft. Branching good, plenty of pollen. You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. (See page 24). [Color Carnival X Clasmont]..... Reg. \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$5.95; 3 for \$16.95**

"My favorite of your introductions at the Convention display was your Tangerine Carnival, a vastly improved Color Carnival. It was outstanding for form and the netting of colour covered the entire fall." Lloyd Zurbrigg, Kingston, Canada.

TANGERINE CARNIVAL — Dashing newcomer



Main Section of TALL BEARDED IRIS

You'll find below all of my 1960 offerings in Tall Bearded Iris **except** for the following 6 important new Races that have been segregated out for your convenience as explained at the top of page 13.

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The Tall Bearded varieties in the above 6 special categories, and all of those below, are included in my complete alphabetical index on page 43, so you can find any variety with the greatest of ease.

Before the alphabetical listing below I present, in 2 boxes, 14 of what would seem to be, without any question, the **world's most outstanding Tall Bearded Iris** today. It is self-evident that you just can't go wrong in ordering any of these 14 wonder Iris.

Recent DYKES MEDAL Winners

The recent Dykes Winners are assembled here for the convenience of the experts who know their Iris — and at the same time this grouping provides the easiest possible way for any **beginner** to order an assortment of varieties and be **sure** that all are of the highest quality in Iris that have been actually tested and proved adaptable over the entire Nation. Now's the time to utilize **Special No. 29** below and start a Dykes Medal collection in your own garden.

SWAN BALLETT (Muhlestein '55) M to L-40" **'59 DYKES**. Glorious pure white. Has received as much fame in Iris world as is possible. Was at **very top** of elite Judge's Choice list in '56; in '57 it topped AM list. A.I.S. Bulletins abound in high praises for this beauty, such as "Finest white I've ever seen." "A white with a white beard and super substance." The form is delightful with just enough ruffling to give it grace and charm. **Fertile both ways**. A single cross, Swan Ballett X Mount Emmons, has already yielded two dandies: Uintah and Lilac Bouquet. **Better look twice before you pass up this one!** HM'55; AM'57.

..... Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.35; 3 for \$23.80**

BLUE SAPPHIRE (Schreiner '53) EM-40" **'58 DYKES**. The leading blue Iris today! At the **very top** of the Popularity Symposium for the last 2 years (1958 and 1959) and the Dykes Winner in 1958. A very blue silvery flower of extra large size and exquisite purity. Petals very broad with heavily ruffled edges, yet with **extraordinarily heavy substance** enabling the flowers to come through a storm. Makes finest background Iris imaginable. **No Iris is coveted by more people**. If you don't have it — **don't wait** — they are going fast, next week may be too late. [Snow Flurry X Chivalry]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**

VIOLET HARMONY (Lowry '52) M-40" **'57 DYKES**. A magnificent large ruffled violet that has been **widely and favorably commented on** in the bulletins for the past several years. So outstanding that it easily won the President's Cup the year after its introduction. A gorgeous wide violet self that has been grown to its full glory in many different states and should certainly do well for you. Luckily this beauty has **pollen and sets seed readily**. For the last 2 years (1958 & 1959) this superb Iris has achieved a position **next to the top** of the yearly Popularity Symposium. [Snow Flurry X Cloudcap]..... Reg. \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

FIRST VIOLET (DeForest '52) M-38" **'56 DYKES**. A superb new creation in true sparkling spectrum-violet (neither red-violet nor blue-violet) without a trace of any other color to mar its fine quality. A flower of great size, with 6" ruffled flowers perfectly spaced on tall stalks. Flower parts wide and haft clean. A luscious color that seems to attract everyone and win the votes needed to get the Dykes. **Fragrant**. [Chivalry X Spanish Peaks]..... Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**

SABLE NIGHT (Cook '52) M-38" **'55 DYKES**. Sensational black, **coveted everywhere**. Standards deep blackish-wine, nearly closed; falls **velvety, unbelievably black**, with harmonizing dark bronze beard. Will be something for breeders of black Iris to shoot at for years to come. **A real crowd-stopper! Branching good**. [(Indiana Night x Modoc) X Sable]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$3.15**

MARY RANDALL **'54 DYKES** — The only **Tangerine-Bearded** in this illustrious group. See page 26..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

TRULY YOURS **'53 DYKES** — The only **Lacy Lovely** in this assemblage of top-notch Iris. See page 15..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.70**

ARGUS PHEASANT (DeForest '48) EM-38" **'52 DYKES**. An exceptionally large flower in bright **golden Argus brown**. From Past Pres. British I. S. H. Randall: "The highest praise can be given to this smooth brown Iris. It seems to have every virtue." [Casa Morena X Tobacco Road] **In color on page 29**..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**

English DYKES MEDAL Winners

BENTON CORDELIA (Morris) 42" **'56 DYKES**. Here is a Dykes Medal winner that you can get and be quite exclusive, with a **top notch** Iris that is hardly offered anywhere else in America. **Many will want it for their Dykes Medal collections**, so better order right away. An innovation among pinks, and different from any American variety. Dark mauve buds open to a **milky orchid-pink**, with deep rosy-tangerine beards. Delicate and **pure as a jewel**, with faultless poise and form, yet it grows robustly to a good height. A stalk of Benton Cordelia shimmering in the sun is a sight of utter loveliness! [Benton Petunia X Radiation]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**

ARABI PASHA (Anley '53) M-ML-36" **'53 DYKES**. Rich, deep cornflower blue with a blue beard. A smooth finished, nicely tailored flower with most **velvety falls of any blue to date**. Beard is unique, very long and prominent, yet harmonizing in color, violet blue lightly tipped in yellow. Likely to remain the best deep blue for a long time. [(Blue Ensign x Windermere) X Blue Ensign]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.00**

YOUR OWN DYKES SELECTION — **SPECIAL NO. 29** — Order any 3 or more of the above 10 Dykes Medal Winners, having a total SALE price of **\$5.00 or more**, and get **FREE** your choice of **ANY ONE** of these choice Iris of 8 different types or races: Sept. Sparkler-S; Western Hills-A; Dec. Royalty-W; Blue Debut-L; Pianissimo-Tg; Ruffled Organdy-T; Cretica-D; Mohr Velvet-Ob. Or, order any 4 or more of the 10 Dykes Iris having a total SALE price of **\$8.95 or more**, and get **FREE** your choice of **ANY TWO** of the above 8 Iris of different types.



BOLD CONTRAST — *Dramatic* — \$5.00 — Page 30

World's First PATENTED Iris Varieties

Obviously, only Iris of championship caliber are worthy of patenting; so when you buy a patented variety you can be certain it is an **Iris par excellence**. There are no restrictions on the seeding or use of pollen of these patented Iris.

AMETHYST FLAME (Schreiner '58) ML-38" Not only is this one of the first patented Iris, but it was **next to the top** in the distinguished list constituting the '59 Judges' Choice. So it is among the most coveted Iris in America today. And why? Because it is a truly original creation in a fascinating **NEW color** — a blue-lilac or heliotrope overlain with a soft pink sheen. Due to gorgeous ruffling it **abounds in scintillating highlights** just as does a many-faceted Brazilian amethyst. A true self except for chestnut epaulettes on the shoulders and a stunning white beard. An **immense** Iris of elegant flaring form and exceptionally heavy substance. Plant Patent No. 1793. **HM'58, JC'59**. [Crispette X (Lavanisque x Pathfinder)]..... **\$15.00 each**

BRONZE BELL (Schreiner '57) EM-36" If you're looking for an Iris that will be a conversation piece in your garden for years to come, you need look no further. **Just plant Bronze Bell**. Introduced in 1957; has already taken the country by storm, winning a place in Judge's Choice list in '58 and on eagerly-sought Award of Merit list in '59. **Surpasses all other Iris in its color class** — a **dazzling copper** with a strong golden iridescence like highly polished copper or light bronze. A massive flower of splendid substance, superb form, exuberant ruffling. Plant Patent No. 1728, **JC'58, A.M.'59**. [Copper Medallion X Inca Chief]..... **\$15.00 each**

GIANT ROSE — Simply enormous 11" flowers. See **COLOSSALS**, page 44.... **\$20.00 each**

TRIM (McKee '56) M-36" **World's first patented Iris**. Introduced as the **reddest of red** Iris, it has been a sensation ever since it was previewed (3 years before introduction) at the '53 Boston Iris Convention. A large glittering coppery red with a sparkling sheen and a silky smoothness of finish. Hafts without venation. Relatively tall for a red, with stalks branched and rebranched; **up to 23 or more flowers per stalk**. A line-bred Iris with wonderful blood for the hybridizer; should impart hybrid vigor, real redness, and its own fine finish and quiet haft. Plant Patent No. 1592. **HM'56, JC'57** [(Pequot x (Lights On x Moontide)) X (Redwyn x Moontide)]..... **\$10.00 each**

Be the **first** in your neighborhood to have a patented Iris — an easy way to get ahead of "the Jones" — and you'll really have something to crow about.

AL BORAK (DeForest '52) M-36" The **largest of all the horizontal-fall browns**; falls 3½" to 4" across by 3½" long, with hafts a full 2" wide. Standards **glowing copper with a gold undertone**. Falls lively brown-russet. Passes its remarkable broad form on to its offspring. **You could pick no finer variety to use as a parent**. **HC'49; HM'53** [(Her Grace x Prairie Sunset) X Copper River]..... Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1; 3 for \$2.55; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

AMAZING GRACE (Geo. Rees '59) M-35" Mr. Rees considers **AMAZING GRACE** as **culmination of 20 years of Iris hybridizing** in Ozark Mts. of Missouri, where it proved completely hardy. Has performed finely for me here in Sierra Nevada Mts. of California. A pristine Iris that **really glistens in white purity**, devoid of detracting haft markings. Wonderful substance enables blooms to withstand mid-day sun, mid-May downpours. Falls stand out in attractive manner. Sturdy stalks, excellent branching. Note parentage and envision wonderful descendants. **Fragrant**. [Snow Flurry X New Snow]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$7.50; 3 for \$19.15**

To avoid the disappointment of finding that just the varieties you want most are **SOLD OUT**, mail that order **TODAY**, and by **AIR MAIL**. Play it safe!

ACCENT (Buss '53) M-40" Yes, this is the Iris to use for accent in your garden; an eye-catching sight! A striking bicolor or variegata. Standards clear yellow; falls rose-red. [Extravaganza X Frank Adams].....

Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**
ALI BABA (Lyon '52) M-L-40" Standards flushed garnet-brown and the falls are deep brownish-garnet-red. Hafts particularly broad. Gives a bright red effect. Does not fade in the hot sun. Flower very large and impressive. Pleasing fragrance. [Ranger X Cordovan] .. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45**
ARABI PASHA — See red box of **DYKES MEDAL** winners, page 28.

ARGUS PHEASANT — See **Ektachrome** below and red box of **DYKES MEDAL** winners on page 28.

ASPENGLOW (Loomis '56) L-36" A wonderfully rich, full, and beautifully formed deep yellow, with just a touch of ruffling. Reported as the deepest gold seen, and non-fading in the sun. Large blooms on strong well-branched stalks insure a long season of bloom..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.05**

BALLET DANCER EM-38" See in full color. A delightful golden apricot buff. Falls stand out like the swirling skirt of a ballet dancer. HM'49; AM'52.....

Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

BANG (Craig '55) ML-36" Much coveted, rich bright red. A big rich bright red, closest to true red yet achieved. Far outclasses ordinary reds. Will be sought by fanciers and breeders alike. Substance good. Beard golden-bronze. Lots of pollen. JC'56; AM'59 [Savage X (Cordovan x Molten)].....

Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$5.95**

BEACON HILL (Corey '55) M-38" A clean, light blue, smooth and ruffled, holding its color well. Completely hardy. Proving a good parent. HC'50; HM'54 [Helen McGregor X Bay State].....

Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65**

BELLE MEADE (Wills '52) M-39" A superior pure white plicata, feathered at the edges with violet-blue. Has sufficient color to give a very blue effect. Excellent branching. RU-AM'57 [Blue Shimmer X Snow Crystal].....

Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

BIG TIME (Lapham '51) M-39" An immense flower with bronzy red standards, falls rosy red with a blackish overlay, lustrous finish. Beard reddish-yellow. Pollen abundant. [Red Waves X (Redward x Copper Rose)].....

Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

BIG UTE — Big red, grouped with **Colossals**, page 17.

BLACK CASTLE (Schreiner '53) M-32" Close approach to a jet black. Wonderful large flowers of splendid form. Deep orange beard indescribably rich, like a sparkling jewel on a black evening gown. [Sister of Black Forest X Dutch East]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.90**

BLACK DIAMOND ML-35" A copiously formed, heavily subtended ebony-blue-black. Lustrous black sheen. HM'52..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

BLACK HILLS (Fay '51) M-38" A much-heralded black. A shade blacker than Black Forest. A full petaled and nicely proportioned flower with a smooth blue-black color but no haft markings. Wonderful velvety black falls. HM'51; AM'54 [Black Valor x Gulf Stream] X Black Forest]..... Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

APPRAISAL IN OCT. '56 A.I.S. Bul.: "Black Hills has not been topped . . . performs in all gardens, and above all it has garden value—for it holds its head up with the best of them. Now that the price is down, no garden should be without it."—Mrs. G. Roach Sr.

BLACK MICHAEL (Morris '49) L-42" About twice the height of Black Forest. A black of noble proportions from England, of tremendous weather-resisting substance. Standards rich very dark blue-violet; falls very flaring, of deepest velvety violet black. Well branched. Silver Medal Eng. Iris Soc. '48 [Persephone X Blue Ensign].....

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✶**BLACK MISCHIEF** (Schreiner '53) EM-36" Early blooming descendant of Black Forest that is taller than its famous parent. Intensely colored near black, as rich and deep a midnight hue as can be imagined. Very free flowering. [Black Forest X Cameroun].....

Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65**

BLACK SATIN (Nesmith '51) M-36" A popular self in blue-black class, with non-fading satiny texture. Flaring falls seem to be dusted with black crystals. Combines height, size and depth of color..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

BLACK TAFFETA (Songer '54) M-L-35" My favorite among blacks. Characterized as the most beautiful of them all. Almost first black to have ruffling, which adds to its charm. A purplish black self, black beard. Set seed well in my crosses last year. JC'56, AM'57 [Black Forest X (Storm King x Sable)].....

Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.25; 3 for \$12.10**

BLUE FRECKLES (Schortman '55) EM-38" Fetching new white-ground plicata, clear blue markings. Ruffled flowers, closed standards, semi-flaring falls. Good branching. With this parentage, I would suspect re-blooming tendencies. [(Snow Flurry x Blue Shimmer) X (Tiffany x Gibson Girl)]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$6.75**

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BLUEBIRD BLUE (Fay '53) M-36" A large, non-fading, hardy, very clear shade of medium blue. Beard white, tipped lemon. Flowers full, round, nicely tailored. A good seed parent. HM'54; JC'55 [Helen McGregor X Cahokia]..... \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.90**

BLUE INTENSITY (Austin '58) E-M-36" Very large, beautifully formed. Often attains flower height of 7 inches. An intense, bright blue, yellowish white beard. Simply wonderful for effective garden display, due to brightness of color, large size of flowers, abundance of flower stalks and number of flowers per stalk. All of these qualities make for a very colorful plant. Low, heavily branched, with usually 3 flowers per stalk open at once. From Berkeley Blue X Chivalry, thus is a sister of my twice-blooming BLUE SURPRISE (page 8) in a brighter hue. It's fragrant, too, and sets seed very heavily.....

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BLUE SAPPHIRE — See red box of **DYKES MEDAL** winners, page 28.

BLUE SERENE (Wills '53) M-35" A wonderful descendant of Blue Rhythm that is even bluer and in a lighter tone. A clear light blue that is aptly described by its name. One of aspirants for "truest to blue." Lightly and informally waved. Hardy, good bloomer. HC'52; HM'53 [Blue Rhythm X St. Regis] Reg. \$4; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3, \$6.75**

BLUE VALLEY M to L-38" Beautifully ruffled, large. A single rhizome has been known to produce 7 flower stalks. Fragrant. See **Ektachrome**. Regularly \$1, on \$10 order **75c**

BOLD ADVENTURE (Wells '55) M-L-48" A black with immense, bold flowers creating a "new look" for black Iris. Has slight maroon undercast and is accented by an exotic brown-black beard. Excitingly different [(Acropolis x Destiny) x Starless Night] X Captain Wells]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

BOLD CONTRAST (Linse '54) ML-40" See **Ektachrome**. A beautiful variegata. Standards clear bright gold; falls blackish maroon red, with partial edging of yellow, orange-yellow beard. A bold, stunning contrast in colors. Pollen plentiful. HM'55; JC'56 [Extravaganza X Rajah Brooke]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

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BRIGADOON (Tompkins '55) E-L-38" My nomination for brightest Iris now available anywhere. A delightfully smooth blend of bright fuchsia-red, amethyst-violet, true purple. Very large, yet beautifully formed, softly ruffled petals of heavy substance. HC'54; HM'55.....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

BRIGHT GEM (DeForest '53) M-36" One of the finest brown Iris I have seen to date. A rich velvet brown having a glowing reddish-brown or mahogany hue. Color intensified by a dark brown beard. Hafts practically devoid of reticulations. An immense flower with a 7-inch spread, nearly horizontal falls and heavy substance. Sets seed. [Argus Pheasant X Garden Glory].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

BUTTERHORN (Sass '55) M-38" A lemon ice that will take your breath away. Ground color like icy white velvet, petals edged with broad band of pure lemon-gold. Most beautiful of this type that I have ever seen. Pollen profuse. HM'55 [White and pink plicata sdlg. X soft pastel plicata sdlg.].....Regularly \$10; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

CALYPSO (Douglas '55) M-37" Here we have the Iris that is "tall, dark and handsome." A true self in deep, dark violet; no venations. A profuse bloomer, well branched, fully hardy. [Barbara Adams X Gulf Stream].....\$6; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

CARAMEL (Lowry '54) M-36" Lovely and distinctive in rich butter-caramel tones, with brown shoulders and a faint blue blaze. Standards conic. Falls wide, flaring. Flowers firm substantiated; well branched, hardy. HM'54; JC'55 [Mexico X (Mexico x (Old Parchment x Katherine Larmon))].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.00**

CARISSIMA (Nesmith '55) M-38" Captivating and endearing, a very frilled flower in pure white. Notable for clarity of color, flowers so heavily ruffled they have the swirling grace of drifting snow. Sets seed; known to carry extreme ruffling to its progeny. One of few good whites to have abundant pollen. [Involving Lady Boscawen, Sierra Snow, Chicory Blue, Azure Skies, etc.].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

CAROLINE JANE — Popular blue plicata, see page 17.

✱ **CASA MORENA** M-38" Huge, rich chestnut-brown, glowing like an ember. Heavy bloomer. Fertile pollen; one of best seed-setters. AM'46. See *Ektachrome*.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.30, 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

CASTLEWOOD (Becherer '57) M-36" Splendid new violet-black. One of the smoothest Iris—not a mark of any kind—even the beard is deep blue. Fine form, easy to grow and fast increase giving you a clump of black beauties in a hurry. [Sporting News X Zulu].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$8.50; 3 for \$24.25**

✱ **CATHEDRAL BELLS** (Wallace '53) A light begonia-pink or shrimp pink. One of the topnotch pinks in the lighter tones. Falls flare horizontally; edges serrated. Passes its good qualities on to its progeny. HM'53; AM'56 [(Hagen Blend x Overture) X (Golden Spangle x Pink Tower)].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

CELESTIA (Pierce '55) EM-38" A light blue of remarkably pure blue. Extremely heavy substance. A real beauty, broad arched standards, ruffled horizontal falls. Mrs. Hinckly reports from Illinois: "This has everything one would want in a blue Iris." Coveted by more people than any other blue. HM'55; RU-Cook Mem. Cup '57; RU-AM'58 [(Snow Flurry x Lake Shannon) X (Helen McGregor x Chivalry)].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.55**

✱ **CELESTIAL BLUE** (Brother Charles '55) M-36" Free flowering clear light blue self. Has a frosty sheen that gives the flower much life and sparkle. Has made a hit wherever grown. Single stalks sometimes produce as many as 17 blossoms with 3 to 7 flowers open at once. Standards nicely ruffled. Falls semi-flaring.....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

✱ **CENTENNIAL QUEEN** (Wallace '54) M-38" A large heavily ruffled blend of deep copper and rose, rich and colorful. Beard deep orange. Nicely formed flowers, wide at haft. Well branched. [Lancaster X Three Oaks].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

✱ **CINNAMON TOAST** (Sass '53) ML-36" Big, bold, plicata of remarkable perfection of form and coloring. Deep cream with a broad border of rich red brown, so heavily sanded it is nearly solid. Heavy substance and satiny finish. A robust grower, well branched stalks. HM'53.....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.45**

CLOUDLESS SKY (Watkins-Graves '55) M-39" Superb, very pure light Cerulean blue, without the usual infusion of lavender. A sister of The Citadel, having the same large size and lovely form, but is more heavily ruffled. Very appealing. Pollen fertile, a ready seed-setter. [Helen McKenzie X Jane Phillips].....Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

CONGO (Schreiner '53) M-40" A real achievement—very first large nearly black, with a reddish sheen. Fully 50% larger than most blacks. Gloriously rich; of excellent form, branching. [Ethiopia Queen X Velvet Dusk].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

COPPER MEDALLION M-38" A stunning reddish-copper self; has more new-penny glitter than any other blend I know. HM'53.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

✱ **CORONATION RED** (Hall '53) ML-38" A richly colored bitone of glowing oxblood red, with large flowers and heavy substance. Beard rich orange. Brilliant, non-fading. HC'52 [Color Sergeant X Garden Glory].....Regularly \$2.00 on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

CRESCENDO (Tompkins '55) ML-38" The loveliest and nearest approach to true red of any of Chet's fine reds. A complete self, between Carmine and Ox-blood red, beard dark yellow, tipped brown. No haft markings. Flowers large. Excellently formed, broad full petals, extra heavy substance, smooth velvety finish. Most good reds are short but this produces stalks 38" to 40" high with perfect branching. Strong tendency for reblooming in fall. [Manana X Garden Glory].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$6.35; 3 for \$18.10**

✱ **CRISPETTE** (Schreiner '54) EM-35" A lacy-edged orchid-colored masterpiece of flawless perfection of form. A broadly proportioned color gem with fluted petals and lacy edging. The deep orchid color carries extremely well. Beard orange-red. JC'56; AM'57 [Harriet Thoreau X (Angelus x ?) x (Matula x Schreiner Sdlg. 8-37)].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

DARK BOATMAN (Cook '54) M-L-34" One of the very finest of Paul Cook's black series. Standards blackish-violet; falls velvety black, with tinge of violet. Hafts clean; beard dark violet. A good seed parent, already yielding the new Allegiance. AM'56, JC'55 [Black Forest X Sdlg. involving Modoc, Sable, Black Wings]. Reg. \$5; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

DARK CHOCOLATE (Murray '54) EM-38" A beautifully formed flower that is a great advance in this color class. A clean, dark chocolate color—as dark as Baker's chocolate, very large and tall, with good branching and very heavy substance. Very profuse flowering, often producing 3 or 4 stalks from a single rhizome. Rich, dark and commandingly different! HM'54; AM'59 [Tobacco Road X Grand Marshal].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.80; 3 for \$8.00**

DEEP BLACK (Cook '55) ML-36" The crowning achievement of Paul Cook's long series of hybridizations for better blacks. Deep Black has often been referred to as the deepest of all blacks. It is a blue-black, has incredible depth of color, which holds and is non-fading. Standards deep blackish violet; falls solid jet black, with velvety finish, clean hafts, dark violet beard. A real beauty that will command attention everywhere. AM'57; [Black Forest X Cook dark sdlg.].....Reg. \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

DEFIANCE (Tompkins '53) ML-34" A red so bright and true has been coveted by flower lovers since introduction at \$35.00. Frequently characterized as: "purest red I have ever seen." A dark cardinal self, standards almost as deep as falls. Velvety texture. Excellent form, substance, free of veinings. Stands the sun. Will create a sensation in YOUR garden. Rhizomes quite small. Pollen abundant. HM'53 [Manana X Technicolor].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

✱ **DIANEVA** (Cook '53) EM-36" Falls nearly pure white, with one-half inch margin of violet-blue. A flower of large size, fine form and excellent substance; dependable bloomer. Profuse pollen. [Blue Shimmer X Snow Velvet].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45**

DREAMY (Linse '53) ML-37" A flaring, ruffled flower with a texture like a bowl of freshly popped popcorn. A white fresh and pure, even to beard. Field wide open to incorporate this novel texture in Iris of other colors. Should be excellent breeder. JC'57; RU-AM'58; AM'59 [Snow Flurry X Cloud Castle].....Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.15**

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✱ **EASTER BONNET** M-38" Most colorful spectacular pink.....Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.30; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**

EASTER GREETINGS (Miess '55) M-36" A flawless pure unmarked white with bright lush yellow beard to reflect warmth through the interior. Precisely domed standards, horizontal falls of enduring substance. Destined to be a great breeder for blues and whites. [Winter Carnival x Berkeley Blue] X Cloud Castle].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**

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EBONY ECHO ML-38" Falls flare horizontally. Buds so dark they appear like great blobs of shiny black wax; very deep, glowing black red, self. AM'53.....

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ELEANOR'S PRIDE (Watkins '56) M-42" Superb light blue, beautifully shaped. Petals ruffled, of great weather resistance. A clump gives a most extraordinary tricolor effect, due to medium blue buds, light blue freshly opened blooms, and pure clean white of day-old flowers. Next to top in '58 Awards of Merit; so you can't miss on this one. JC'57; AM'58 [Jane Phillips X Blue Rhythm]... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$8.50; 3 for \$24.25**

ENCHANTED PEARL (Brown '56) E-L-36" A beautiful iridescent gleaming pearly blue-white with such heavy leathery substance the flowers last for days, even in wind and rain. The ruffled, horizontally flaring falls give it much grace and charm. Stalks carry so many buds it begins blooming with the earliest and ends with the latest. [Snow Flurry X Chivalry]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

ENCOUNTER (Benson '56) M-38" Wonderfully bright, pure yellow and white bicolor. Standards golden yellow, falls white, bordered yellow. Falls flaring, attractively waved, of great substance. Flowers extra large. Strong grower. HC'52; HM'59 [Belverie X (Valor x Dauntless) x Inspiration]..... Regularly \$8.00; on \$10 order **\$7.60**

EXOTIC (Linse '54) M-48" A massive flower 7 inches across, produced shoulder-high on magnificent stalks. A most brilliant tan-rose suffused with gold, lilac blaze. Falls 3", flare out horizontally with upturned ruffled edges. A unique flower with much appeal. [Prairie Sunset x Painted Desert] X Sultan's Robe]Reg. \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

FANCYANCY (Austin '53) EM-42" Largest and finest self-colored Fancy I have ever seen, a flower of elegance and refinement. Standards silvery lilac, well subenced, beautifully waved. Falls deep amethyst, veined in white over entire surface. Superb branching. Surpasses almost all other Iris in vigor of growth and luxuriant nearly ever-green foliage. Ideal parent for transmitting real vigor of growth to your seedlings. Comes from the same cross that yielded 4 of my Horned Iris, namely [JS-M-176B X 638]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

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FATHER RIGNEY (Bro. Charles '56) M-42" A very large rich deep violet self with dark brown blotch high up on the shoulders. Beard violet tipped white. A stately richly colored Iris that is an exceptionally vigorous grower—tall, straight, and well branched. [Violet Sdlg. 51-43 X Fay Sdlg. 51-6]..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$5.70**

FIRE DANCE M-36" Impressive vivid red plicata. Deep yellow ground color supplies strong contrast with red coloring. Pollen plentiful. HM'47..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c**

FIRST VIOLET — See red box of DYKES MEDAL winners, page 28.

FORTUNE'S GIFT — Gigantic brown, with Colossals, page 44.

FOXFIRE (Fox '53) M-40" A very rich yellow with a light area below the beard. So outstanding it has created a sensation wherever seen. Color is deep and glowing, form excellent. HM'53; AM'57; Cook Mem. Cup '57 [Bryce Canyon X Ola Kala]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1, 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**
FROLIC (Schreiner '52) ML-36" Brightest and most impressive of all the yellow-ground plicatas—in fact, almost the only one with a completely solid yellow background, with deft brown stipplings. Simply stunning for exotic orchid-like corsages, or for table decorations. Don't be without it! [Firecracker X (Magic Carpet x Tiffany)]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.85**

FRONTIER DAYS (Tompkins '53) M to L-30" A hue near to cardinal red with a sleek and glossy finish that gives great brilliance and carrying power. Flowers very large with broad petals and flaring form. Substance very heavy. An excellent grower. [Bandit X Technicolor]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65**

FRONT PAGE (Kleinsorge '55) M-38" The striking color pattern of Prospector but almost twice the size and on a taller stalk. A brilliant red-gold with an eye-catching white patch in the center of the falls like a white signal. HM'56; JC'57 [Solid Gold X El Paso]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.00**

GAYLORD (Douglas '49) L-38" Hard to surpass in the amoena class. Standards white. Falls reddish-violet to deep blue-violet with a hairline of white around the edge. Beautifully ruffled and flared. Best parent of this type. HM'49 [Extravaganza X Wabash]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

GENE WILD (Craig '52) ML-36" Standards light red, large, round and waved, slightly open, exposing bright violet ridge down center of yellow style arms. Falls flaring, deep rich crimson with white veins brushed on a yellow ground. Beard nearly white. Finest Iris in the fancy pattern released to date! Pollen plentiful. JC'55; RU-AM'58 [Rich Raiment X Joseph's Mantle]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

GLOBETROTTER (Linse '56) M-42 An immense golden rose-tan blend, with a spread of 8". Blooms have falls 3" across, so this is indeed a King-size Iris. A blended self of rosy golden tan and deep rose. An excellent parent, fertile both ways. [(Tobacco Road x Casa Morena) x Bryce Canyon] X Orangeman]. Reg. \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

GOLD ANTHEM (Douglas '54) ML-40" A hardy, very sun-resistant bright clear yellow, with flaring form and great substance. Widely branched stalks and many buds give this a long season of bloom. Color effect highlighted by heavy brilliant orange-yellow beard. [Mimosa Gold X Unknown]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

GOLD CUP (Murray '56) EM-58" I can recommend this very highly as the very best yellow I saw at the '56 A.I.S. Los Angeles Convention. It was a runner-up for the President's Cup, so is very popular. A huge flower in deep golden-yellow, with flaring falls and heavy substance. Flowers long-lasting. HM'56; JC'57; AM'59 [(Brazil x Grand Marshal) X Tobacco Road]..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**

GOLD SOVEREIGN LM-30" A wonderful and very inexpensive team-mate to plant beside Green Pastures to effectively bring out the green in the latter, by contrast with an entirely different kind of yellow. Deep yellowish-orange that stands out like a beacon light. Sets seed, profuse quantities of pollen. See Ektachrome..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

GOLDEN BALLET (Austin '58) EM-M-38" A livelier, more golden version of the well-known Ballet Dancer, which was its seed parent. Pollen parent was my Flamingo pink seedling No. TP-31. A sumptuous, stunning flower measuring 6½ inches across. Substance very heavy, especially in the flaring falls. Standards are golden-buff, with an intriguing hint of pink. The falls are buff-yellow, becoming bright orange-yellow at the haft. A beauty! This is one of my sensational EXTRA PREMIUMS. This or CLEMENTINA is available free on all orders of \$15.00 or more mailed within 15 days. See page 20..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.25; 3 for \$10.85**

GOLDEN SYMPHONY VL-36" Symphony in yellow and heliotrope..... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**

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- ✱ **GOLDEN CROWN** (Kleinsorge '54) ML-39" A giant variegata, a stunning combination of old gold standards and richest plush-like falls of maroon velvet. Twice as large as Gypsy, more richly colored and with more flaring falls. HM'57; JC'57 [Spanish Fandango X Cascade Splendor x 367]... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**
- GOLDEN HAWK** (Smith '51) M-44" Exceptionally fine large, ruffled blooms. A reliable and profuse bloomer, often with up to 17 well-spaced flowers per stalk. Color is velvety primrose yellow, overlaid metallic gold. Beautifully tailored, very broad petals, flaring falls. Pollen fertile. RU-AM'57 [Cascade Splendor X (Sdlg. x Spun Gold)]... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**
- GOLDEN PERCH** (Craig '50) One of Tom Craig's finest. Has been extremely scarce, and now available for first time. A superb blend of orange and Henna-brown, blazed blue. Already fabulous. [Shady Lady X Cascade Splendor]... Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$25.85**
- GRAND TETON** — Largest yellow Iris, with Colossals, page 44.
- ✱ **GREAT DAY** (Tompkins '53) ML-36" Done in rich glowing carmine. Flower has heavy substance, with non-burning qualities. Finish is rich and glossy with carmine-black overtones. Strong well-branched stalks with many buds. A great favorite. HC'52; HM'53 [Ebony Echo X Manana]... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45**
- GRECIAN URN** (Sapp '54) ML-40" A heavily ruffled flower in a new shade of hyacinth violet, adding a new color note to the garden. Heavily ruffled flowers of very large size. Extremely broad petals and beautiful flaring form. **Flowers over long season.** HM'59 [Snow Flurry X Cloud Castle]... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**
- HAPPY MEETING** (Lyon '55) ML-36" A highly ruffled plicata with exceptionally heavy substance and attractive color. Ruffling so dense it takes two days for a flower to open fully. This same ruffling stiffens flowers so that they last 4 days after opening. Standards old ivory, heavily sprayed violet. Falls white-white with a solid 1/4" edging of deep violet. Beard tipped in blue. Splendid branching, size and form. HC'53; HM'55. [Lovelace X New Hope]... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**
- HARBOR BLUE** (Schreiner '54) ML-38" The soul of every flower lover is perennially hungry for soul-satisfying blues. Here is one of massize size, lavish form, glossy texture, and a remarkable richness and exquisiteness of hue. A derivative of 3 famous inbred blues: Chivalry, Distance, Jane Phillips. The ultimate selection after prolonged breeding with finest blue blood lines. Hybrid vigor gives it bamboo-type stems, flawless branching plus a substance that is practically weather proof. **How can your garden be without it?** JC'56 AM'57... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**
- HELEN MCKENZIE** (Graves '50) M-37" Really white with no haft markings; even beard is white. Perfect form and flower placement. HM'50; AM'53 [Franconia X Mt. Jefferson]... Reg. \$1.50 on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**
- HIGH COMMAND** (Long '45) M-34" Yellow standards, blackish crimson falls. Extra large, abundant bloom. **In color**... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**
- HOLY SMOKE** (Smith '58) M-36" Ideally suited to artistic flower arrangements. Novel silvery-grey appearance fits it admirably for use in almost any color scheme, particularly in pastel treatments. Also useful as a garden harmonizer between bold colors that might clash. A silvery grey with a lilac wash on falls and interesting chartreuse-old gold flush at base of standards and on hafts, beard bright orange. Unusual & different. [Jane Phillips X Thotmes III]... Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order **\$11.95**
- HUNTSMAN** (Sass '55) M-36" A very intriguing new color described as a dark blackish-brown self that may also be termed a "chocolate red." Massive ruffled flowers with heavy substance. Beard bronzy-gold. Most outstanding and different! Pollen good. HM'55... Reg. \$7.50; **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**
- ✱ **INCA CHIEF** (Mitsch '52) M-L-35" An enormous, spectacular Iris. A wonderful vibrant color—a brilliant burnished gold-bronze. Blooms perfectly proportioned with a gentle ruffling, a regal carriage. Should prove to be a marvelous acquisition for any hybridizer [Mexico X Tobacco Road] HM'52; AM'54... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**
- INSPIRATION** M-38" Large crimson pink... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**
- JAN HESS** (Watkins-Graves '55) M-39" Stunning—practically without competition in its class. A broadly formed medium blue bitone. Deeper and richer than Helen McGregor. Firm substantiated blooms well spaced on tall well-branched stalks. Fertile both ways. [Jane Phillips X Chivalry]... Regularly \$5.50; on \$10 order **\$3.85; 3 for \$11.20**
- JOAN CRAWFORD** (Benson '54) M-40" Exquisite finely chiseled silvery-blue. Presents a picture of loveliness and serenity comparable to its namesake who unhesitatingly selected it as her favorite. Honeysuckle-scented, full petaled, heavily substantiated and very stylish. Standards domed and fully closed; falls semi-flared and attractively rippled. HC'52; HM'56 [Tosca X (Azure Skies x Great Lakes)]... Regularly \$8.00; on \$10 order **\$5.35**

- KANAB** (Crosby '54) E to L-38" A real beauty. A gold and red blend that is tall and lovely. A rich glistening red-brown with a sparkling gold undertone and a glittering gold edge on the flaring falls. A superb pedigree for browns, coppers and rich blends. HC'53 [Aztec Copper x Tobacco Road] X (Midwest Gem x Honeyflow)... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**
- KEZAR LAKE** (Knowlton '51) M-38" A clear medium blue, a smooth self without veining. Standards domed, falls broad and flaring with slight fluting at edges. Petals have almost an enamel finish. Superb. HC'48; HM'51 [Great Lakes X Easter Morn]... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.35**
- KIKI** (Graves '51) M-39" A marvelous medium blue bred from two Dykes Medal winners. Possesses a frosty sheen that sparkles and glistens in sunlight. A smoothly finished flower of flaring form, heavy substance. HM'53 [Helen McGregor X Great Lakes]... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**
- LADY ILSE** (Smith '51) ML-41" A superb powder blue that has impressed Irisarrians due to its great size, its beautiful color and its exquisite ruffling. HM'52; AM'55 [Jane Phillips X Keene Valley]... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.90**
- LADY RUFFLES** (Schirmer '53) EM-36" The loveliest and heaviest-ruffled of any ruffled Iris in our garden. **See in color.** A "must" for those who love the highly ruffled Iris. A gardenia-like white so beautifully waved and ruffled it reminds one of **organdy graduation gowns.** Simply gorgeous! [Snow Flurry X 14 A]... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

A Lady in a ruffled gown
Should be a belle in dell or town...

LADY RUFFLES

This charming iris now is classed
A ruffled beauty unsurpassed.
—George Nicholas Rees

- LATE SNOW** (Douglas '53) L-VL-42" A dependable late white that greatly prolongs the season of white Iris in the garden. A large tailored white with pale yellow beard. [Vigil X Themesong]... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

- ✱ **MAGIC CARPET** ML-32" **Ektachrome, page 31.** Standards vivid gold. Falls cream, with rippling waves of deepest rose. Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

- MAID OF COTTON** (Pierce '53) EM-38" Popular pure white self, yellow beard. Beautiful tailored flower; often 3 out at once, well spaced. **Hard to beat at this price.** HC'52 [New Snow X Winter Carnival]... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

- MAYTIME** (Whiting '50) ML-40" Heralded as finest rose-pink amoena. Standards pale orchid-pink, nicely rounded. Falls broad and round, deep rose, contrasting with standards. AM'53 [Pathfinder X Shannopin]... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

- MELISSA** (Hinkle '56) M-36" A top-notch new blue. Flowers large, self colored medium to deep blue, very well formed, exceptionally broad flaring falls. Excellent branching and flower placement. One of my favorites. Fertile both ways. HM'58; 41 votes in '59 Judges' Choice. [Zara natural set]... Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$10.60; 3 for \$30.20**

- ✱ **MELLOW GOLD** (Lowry '55) M-32" A soft mellow yellow, pleasingly ruffled, and of great beauty. Small white area below yellow beard. Heavy substance, hardy and vigorous. HC'52 [Tobacco Road X On Guard]... Reg. \$3; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

- MERRY LYNN** (Till '58) E-M-L-40" A lovely, distinctive self-colored flower in what may be termed pinkish-lavender, tho some will think of it as rosy light blue. Beard harmonizing cream. Heavy stalks carry the large, waved flowers to perfection. Foliage vigorous, rhizomes healthy. Ormohr being a parent of White Leather gives this a dash of adventure for hybridizers. Pods easily; pollen highly potent, even on very difficult hybrids. HM'59 [White Leather x Sdlg.] X Snow Goddess]... Reg. \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$8.95**

*****Tall Bearded STAR PERFORMER*****

- ✱ **MISCHIEF** (Reinhardt '55) ML-34" **See in color, page 30.** A very striking variegata in a completely new color combination that is a real color break. Standards brilliant golden-yellow; falls intense red-orange, flaring, with no haft markings. At Salt Lake A.I.S. Convention it was declared the **brightest Iris ever seen.** Orange beard; good substance, stands all weather conditions. A prolific grower and good seed setter, with plenty of pollen. [Red Torch X Gypsy]... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

- ✱ **MISS CHRISTINE** (Watkins-Watkins '54) M-36" A delightfully ruffled and frilly lemon-yellow self that has everything—appealing color, fine form, substance and excellent branching. [Spun Gold X Katherine Larmon]... Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**

- MYSTIC LEGEND** (Webster '55) M-40" Large, ruffled light lavender blue, shaded grey in falls. Hint of green around dove grey beard. **Fascinating!**... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

**PRETTY
QUADROOM**
\$2.00



MISSION STARLITE (Hamblen '56) M-L-36" This charmer is reminiscent of the evening sky when first star appears. Peggy Grey says: "Mission Starlight was the one which left me standing in awe! With matching blue beard, heavenly blue coloring which doesn't fade, and refined ruffling, it's the stuff dreams are made of!" **HC'54; HM'56** [Chivalry X White Wedgewood].....

Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**
MOHAVE GOLD (Sass '55) ML-40" Will please everyone looking for best in this color. A majestic, imposing Iris of gigantic proportions in deep golden orange. Finely branched; a stalk is a sight one doesn't forget. Doubly welcome, too, for it begins at end of midseason, continues until most others are gone. Produces plentiful pollen. [Involving Ola Kala, Ella Callis & Mattie Gates].....

Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**
MONIQUE (McKee '56) ML-38" Wide yellow amoena with white standards, clear medium-yellow falls. Nicely ruffled. Final outcome of Mr. McKee's work in line breeding for four generations, involving mainly inbreeding with variety Fairday. Should be highly useful for crosses with Stevens, Wills and Brummitt Iris in this color range.....

Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**
MOULIN ROUGE (Tompkins '54) ML-38" A crimson-red that is so dark it is almost black yet retains a remarkable brilliance. Its glowing color and long season of bloom make it a great favorite. Flowers nicely spaced on strong, well branched stalks. **HC'53; HM'54** [Caravan X Bandit].....

Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**
MYSTIC MELODY M-36" Butter yellow falls and luminous shimmering cream standards weaves a spell over the beholder. Elegant and lovely. **HM'52; AM'55**..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**
NEW LOVE (Hinkle '56) M-38" A large wonderful creamy white self, including beard; has been very highly rated by the experts. For example, Helen McCaughey in Oklahoma said "Made perhaps the outstanding clump among the new guest-irises." Extremely broad in the hafts; of excellent form and substance. Fertile both ways. [First Affection X Faught sdg. 19H].....

Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**
NIGHT 'N DAY (DeForest '55) L-36" From top to bottom of the color range. Standards palest hortense violet; falls fluorite violet, black overlay. Near-amoea, large smooth flowers on tall well-branched stalks. Quite distinct. [Extravaganza X (Casa Morena x General Patton)].....

Regularly \$9.00; on \$10 order **\$5.95; 3 for \$16.05**
OEDIPUS REX (Zurbrigg '55) VL-38" This brilliant contender for the "Best Variegata" is a regal Iris done in gold and dark red. Petals broad, hafts smooth. Substance heavy. One of the very last Iris to bloom, superb for lengthening your blooming season. An extra hardy Canadian origination. [Mexico X Gaylord].....

Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**
ONLY THIS (Craig '54) EM-50" The name comes from the characterization made by the late Professor Mitchell that if Tom Craig bred "only this" his reputation would be made. A huge, very tall, clear orchid-pink blend. Extremely prolific in its bloom, often sending up several flower stalks from a single rhizome. **HC** [Prairie Sunset X Brilliant Amber].....

Regularly \$8.00; on \$10 order **\$5.35; 3 for \$15.25**
ORIENTAL GLORY M-30" Standards mahogany red; falls flaring, rich mahogany brown, gold at haft with a violet-blue blaze. **HM'52**... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**
OYSTER PEARL (Reinhardt '56) M-ML-44" A beautiful Iris with a coloring to fit the name. A pearly-white with a faint cast of pink in falls. Very heavy substance; yellow beard. Blooms last a full week; withstands all weather conditions. Fragrant. Good breeder. **GC'55** [Snow Flurry X Chantilly].....

Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$18.95**
PACEMAKER EM-36" A bright red self, exceptionally smooth, possessing a silken-like finish. Pollen fertile; sets seed. **HM'50**..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**
PASTEL SUPREME (Becherer '58) ML-36" A fascinating blend of yellow and pink in soft pastel tones. Perfect four-way branching and placement of blooms. A fine increaser and a good parent. Takes all kinds of weather. [Marquita X Pink Formal].....

Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.35; 3 for \$23.80**
PATHFINDER ML-36" Blooms large, round, very wide petals and wide hafts. True pink tones with a little lavender. Glistening sheen, heavy substance. **HM'48**..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c**
PERSIAN ROBE (Sass '55) M-36" A striking break from usual amoenas, this is in predominantly red tones. Standards pale buff flushed rose, lightening at edges to golden pink; falls of rich maroon, buff pink border. Will appeal to the connoisseur looking for something really different. Useful in breeding new things. Pollen plentiful. [Two seedling amoenas].....

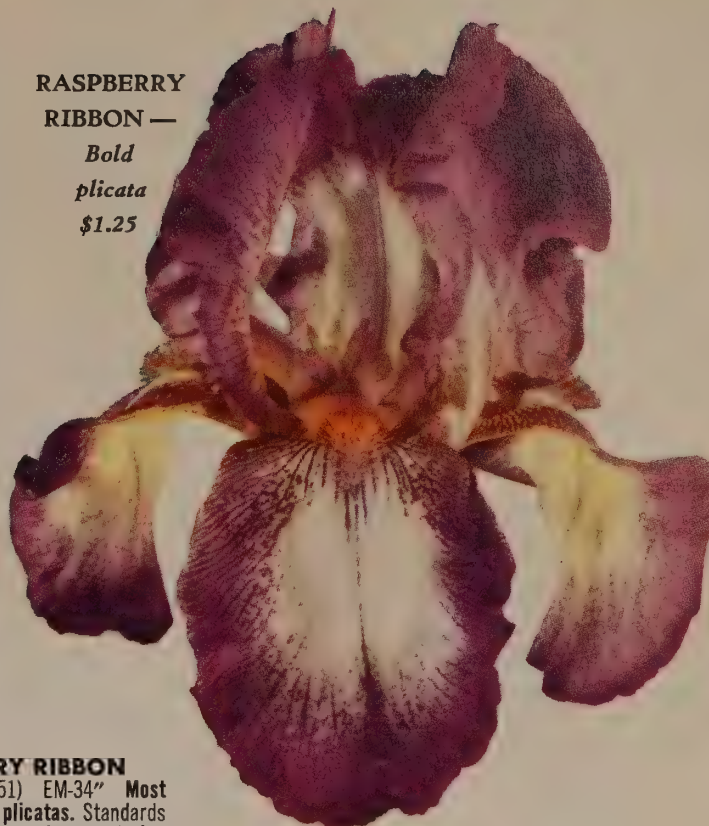
Regularly \$8.50; on \$10 order **\$5.65; 3 for \$14.40**
PIERRE MENARD M-38" Large blue Iris. A deep medium blue self with wonderful enamel finish. A lovely wave to the petals. **RU Dykes '53**... Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**
PRETENDER (Cook '51) L-36" A color pattern Mr. Cook calls "blue-failed variegatas," in distinction to the usual variegatas which have falls in red or reddish-purple. This unique bicolor has yellow standards, falls of deep blue violet. **AM'55**.....

Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**
PRETTY QUADROON (Kleinsorge '48) ML-40" A revelation in lovely color harmonies, and superb beautifully ruffled form. A light coppery brown, smooth and appealing, with a glistening metallic luster and an undertone of amethyst and gold. **HM'48; AM'50** [Mexico X Tobacco Road]... In color..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**
PRINCESS ANNE (Zurbrigg '58) ML-34" A super-hardy Canadian Iris worthy of its royal name, falls measuring 3 1/4" across, hafts 2 1/4" wide. A bicolored beauty in yellow and white. A flower of quality and charm. The yellow of the standards is very clear and clean; white in falls set off by border of same color as standards. Will set pods, but it is easier as pollen parent. **HM'58; 4th from top of '59 Judges' Choice**. [Cascade Splendor X Armour Bright]..... each **\$20**
QUECHEE (Knowlton '50) M-37" A handsome garnet-red self, flaring falls and a thick bronze beard. Flowers do not burn or fade under the hot sun. Nicely branched. Pollen plentiful. **HM'50; AM'53** [Prince of Orange X Redyen] See life-like photo, page 32.....

Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$6.25**
RAINBOW ROOM ML-34" Brings together many of the colors of the Rainbow. Falls sparkle as if dusted with gold crystals. Form about perfect; lovely ruffling. **HM'47; AM'51**. See in color, page 31
 Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5; 25 for \$9.95**
RARE GOLD (Shirmer '58) M-L-38" A standout at '55 Canadian Convention. Top-flight very bright yellow. Falls flare out horizontally. Standards cupped, nicely closed. Beard orange-yellow. Well-branched stalks carry these lovely flowers to perfection. Pollen plentiful. **HC'55; HM'58** [Goldbeater X Ming Yellow Sdg.].....

Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

RASPBERRY RIBBON —
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RASPBERRY RIBBON

(Schreiner '51) EM-34" Most stunning of plicatas. Standards almost solid raspberry coloring except for a slight flush of white. Falls dazzling white made prominent by the wide edging of pure raspberry. **HM'51; AM'55**. See lifelike Color Plate..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**
RED CHIEFTAIN (Sass '55) M-37" Glistening mahogany-red with great carrying power, excellent for garden effect. Petals have lacquer-like finish, rich yellow beard. Standards domed; falls semi-horizontal flaring up a bit at tips, giving flowers a winged appearance. Extra heavy substance gives blooms a long life. Has a long pedigree including Midwest Gem, The Red Douglas, Solid Mahogany, Prairie Sunset. With this diversified blood should be a fascinating flower for the hybridizer. Reg. \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$13.55**
REGINA MARIA (Hinkle '55) M-36" Sensation of the blues at Salt Lake Convention. A clump of this will draw a crowd in a hurry. A very smooth medium blue with broad heavy petals and heavy substance. Nicely branched. Elegance personified. Pollen of Regina Maria on Zara has yielded both Demetria and Helen Novak. **HM'55; AM'57** [Azure Skies X Pierre Menard]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**
REHOBETH (DeForest '53) M-36" An unbeatable, superb new blue-white, described as "soul satisfying." Flowers of almost ethereal beauty measure up to 7" and over, of leather-like substance and satin sheen. Very dependable bloomer. **AM'56; RU-Dykes'58** [Snow Flurry X Lake Shannon]..... Reg. \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**
RIGHT ROYAL (Wills '54) ML-36" A stunning rose-red that has such a great concentration of color that it stands out across the garden. Standards cupped, firmly held. Falls velvety, semi-flaring. Beard large and heavy, golden bronze. Already proven a remarkable parent. [Prairie Sunset X Lancaster].... Reg. \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**
ROSABELLA VE-48" Remarkable brilliance and depth of color—a deep rose red self, haft flushed metallic copper; bronze orange beard. Very large, extra broad standards and falls. **HM'52**..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**
ROSE GARLAND (Wills '54) M-40" Few Iris have the perfection of form and poise of this very large rose bitone. Standards rose opal with a coppery undertone. Falls velvety rosy crimson with a bright yellow beard. Well branched. I like this so much I use it a great deal in my crossing. Pollen plentiful. [Hoosier Sunrise X (Prairie Sunset x Lancaster)]..... Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**
ROSY VEIL (Sass '53) M-36" A very appealing white-ground plicata. Imagine glistening white with edging of heliotrope applied in a very dainty web-like stitching. Very good form and substance. **HM'54; AM'59** [(Minnie Colquitt x (Maid of Astolat x Sib.)) X (Minnie Colquitt x Jake)]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**
RUFFLED ORGANDY (Brenan '53) E to L-42" An Iris with spontaneous appeal. I show it to you in natural color, page 33. It has a perfection and beauty of color and form that can hardly be duplicated by any other Bearded Iris. A highly ruffled ivory-cream with a pearly undertone and a light gold border. Falls large, beautifully rounded. Tall 42" stalks with unbelievably fine 5-way branching and up to 23 buds. This insures a very long blooming season, which will usually extend for at least a month. Winter hardy. Fertile both ways. With such blood it cannot miss as a good breeder. Made to order for the hybridizer eager to cross with Oncobreds as it already has close to a perfect form with height and superb branching. No breeder should pass up an opportunity like this! **HM'53; AM'55** [Gilt Edge X (Snow Flurry x Nylon)]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.50**
RUFFLED TAFFETA (Miess '54) EM-42" An exceptionally large deep pinkish lavender of such remarkable substance that it can best be compared to the heaviest taffeta. Imagine this cloth drawn into ruffles more artful and appealing than any human hand can make and you have an idea of the effect of this unique flower. Also, like taffeta, the color varies. Beard cream colored. Very tall stalks with fine low branching. **HM'55; JC'56; AM'59** [(Snow Flurry x Great Lakes) X Lake Tenaya] Reg. \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**
RUTH COUFFER (Craig '56) M-36" A vibrant deep red that is about as red as any I have yet seen. Flowers of large size with heavy substance and fine form and branching. Quality like this will go far. Grand breeding possibilities. [Savage X Cordovan]..... Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

- **SABLE** M-36" Intense claret-black. Popular. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.30; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**
- SABLE NIGHT** — See red box of **DYKES MEDAL** winners, page 28.
- SIERRA SKIES** (Schortman '54) E-M-38" Crowding hard for the top position among all blues. Third from top in '56 Awards of Merit; a runner-up for '58 Dykes. In opinion of Geddes Douglas, the nearest approach we yet have to spectrum blue. Flowers beautifully formed with a very pleasing wave. Stalks tall, strong, carrying flowers to perfection. A blue that cannot be praised too highly. **AM'56** [(Santa Barbara x Sierra Blue) X Chivalry]. Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.95**
- SKY CRYSTAL** (Sass '55) M-38" A flower of gardenia-like texture and whiteness, with just enough sky blue to give a pale blue tint. Standards broad, beautifully domed; falls semi-flaring, broad, rounded, extremely wide hafts. Branching excellent. **HC'54; HM'55** [Involving Snowking & Snosheen]. Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**
- SNOW FLURRY** E to M-42" Glorious blue-white; unsurpassed as a parent. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**
- SNOW GODDESS** — Finest immense white, see **Colossals**, page 44.
- SOLAR MAID** (Sass '55) L-38" Rich dandelion yellow. Petals broad, heavy substance, nicely ruffled. Very weather resistant — emerges from a storm looking serene and lovely. Branching good. Pollen plentiful. Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.95**
- **SOLID MAHOGANY** E to M-36" Very finest inexpensive red. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**
- SPANISH FANDANGO** (Kleinsorge '51) M-48" Swirling and ruffly affair in brilliant coppery yellow, vivid chestnut-red. Rampant grower, usually reaching 4 feet; plenty of good wide branching, lots of big frilled blooms. All you have to do is plant this dazzling near-variegata in your garden and all eyes will be upon it! And so easy to do now that the price is way, way down. **HM'52** [Mexico X Sdlg.]. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.35**
- SPRING ROMANCE** (Miess '49) EM-42" Huge 7-inch blooms of heavy substance. A tall, waxy, non-fading cream white. Delightful fragrance. **HM'50** [Melitza X Narain]. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c**
- STARFIRE** (Wills '54) EM-38" An Iris for those who like frilly flowers with extreme ruffling, heavy fluting. This yellow and white child of Starshine has inherited the firm substance of its parent. Broad full golden yellow standards, flaring falls with golden border and lighter center. Beard orange. Excellent form, finish, and substance. **HM'56, JC'57** [Starshine X Ola Kala]. Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**
- STARLIFT** (Benson '54) M-40" Heavily-ruffled, thick-textured deep cornflower blue. Wonderful ruffling from Tosca, smoothness from Distance. Stands heat, heavy winds and rains. Petals broad, hafts clean. Tall, stately. A knockout! **HM'56** [Tosca X Distance]. Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.00**
- SUNSET BLAZE** VE-42" A huge golden flame-salmon blend so brilliant it is almost red. Nicely ruffled. Stalks extra tall, widely branched. **President's Cup '49**. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **90c**
- SURPRISE PARTY** (Kleinsorge '55) M-36" A surprise indeed, for this is an exciting color combination. Just imagine rosy lilac standards and apricot-yellow falls. Extra well branched. **HM'56; JC'57** [(Chamois x Cascade Splendor) X Opal Cloud]. Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.35**
- SWAN BALLET** — See red box of **DYKES MEDAL** winners, page 28.
- SYMPHONY** (Hinkle '58) M-36" Widely heralded light blue closely approaching spectrum blue. Is to the eye what a serene pastoral symphony is to the ear. A self with suggestion of a light area at the beard. Here is real beauty; wonderful form, substance. A new Iris that will make a name for itself. Be among the first to enjoy it. **HM'58** [(Cahokia x Azure Skies) X Melissa]. Regularly \$17.50; on \$25 order **\$16.60**
- **TABASCO** M-38" A stunning fancy; may be likened to paprika sprinkled over an omelet. Deep yellow with all-over sprinkling of rich orange-red. **HM'54**. Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**
- **TABU** (Schreiner '54) M-38" A self in ebony blue-black. A supremely luxurious velvety flower that you will be proud to have in your garden. **HM'54; JC'55** [Black Forest X Storm King]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**
- TAHOLA** (Gibson '56) ML-36" A big ruffled novelty, long period of bloom. A stunning yellow-cream plicata. Standards heavily shaded cinnamon-red; falls brushed with same. Vigorous performer of superb form and color. Wonderful producer of quality when seed-production can be induced. Indian name means "Village by the Sea." **JC'57; AM'58** [Sdlg. X Firecracker]. Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**
- THE CITADEL** (Watkins-Graves '54) M-38" A most beautiful pure white imaginable—a magnificent large white of intense purity, having no other color, even in the heart of the flower. Has been characterized as the whitest of all white Iris. Flowers heavy substance and beautifully formed, with flaring falls. This is quality plus. **JC'55; AM'59** [Helen McKenzie X Jane Phillips]. Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35**
- THE MAD HATTER** (Lyon '51) M & L-42" Color is the deepest of maroon reds with velvety falls overlaid with blackish maroon. An imposing flower on tall stalks; good branching. Sweet fragrance. May rebloom. [Ranger X Cordovan]. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55; 10 for \$7.50**

FEATURE OFFERING in Tall Bearded

- **THOTMES III** (Kleinsorge '50) ML-40" A beautiful brown to adorn your garden. A gigantic Iris with extra broad falls and heavy texture in a glistening golden brown with an elusive iridescence. Won silver medal at London Iris Show. **HM'51; AM'53** [Mexico X Kleinsorge 314]. Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50; 25, \$14.95**

TISTOPS (Craig '57) EM-38" Has a rich, almost unbelievable blend of many colors. You will covet it for its richness and the variety of tone. French lilac dominates the many colors playing in this mingling of tones. In the standards are hints of burgundy, lavender and rose; in the falls java-brown is washed over the smooth hafts, continues lightly along the edges of the falls. An Iris of unbelievable smoothness and the heaviest substance imaginable. With both Ball Gown and Savage in the parentage, this may tend to rebloom and it surely has the ideal genetic constitution for crossing with Summer and Autumn Bloomers to obtain still finer repeat-bloomers. [(Ball Gown x (Savage x Cordovan) X (Savage x Cordovan)]. Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$18.95**

TOAST AN' HONEY (Kleinsorge '53) M-33" A rich light golden brown, like butter and honey, with deeper toast-brown shadings on edges of falls. Flowers full, wide. Falls flaring, waved. Great bloom for breeding. **HM'55; JC'56** [(Mexico x (Aztec C. x Prairie S.)) X (Cascade Splendor x Daybreak)]. Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$3.30**

TWEezer FEVER: "You got me into this! You and your fascinating catalog, your clever hybridizer's kit. When the blooms started last spring I came down with a bad case of tweezer fever, only to have it develop into a serious case of Pollenitis. I purchased all I could(n't) afford and have studied your Rainbow Iris Manual diligently." Edith M. Conway, Dallas, Texas. See page 24 for Hybridizer's Column.



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Perfection in form and color — \$2.00

- TOP FAVORITE** — Huge, new and wonderful, see **Colossals**, page 44.
- TOWN TALK** (Lapham '54) M-38" A heavy-blooming spectacular flower. May well be finest of the tall reds. Not quite as true a red as Mr. Lapham's Ylem but much larger and taller. The red standards have a slightly bronzy tint. Falls velvety, rich flame or tomato red with lighter edging. Beard harmonizing golden-bronze. Petals broad, excellent substance. Has already bred some startling seedlings. No pollen but sets seeds well. Plant **Town Talk** in your garden and it will soon be the talk of your town. [Drum Major X P. Cook 745]. Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**
- TRIM** — World's first patented Iris, in blue box, page 28.
- VENGEANCE** (Craig '56) ML-36" As ruffled and lovely as a party dress. A white plicata with standards strongly flushed and peppered lavender; falls dotted and edged lavender. Many large flowers on widely branched stems. Rapid increaser. Try it. [Frosty X Gene Wild]. Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**
- VIOLET HARMONY** — See red box of **DYKES MEDAL** winners, page 28.
- WEDDING BOUQUET** (Buttrick '52) M-35" A very ruffled white opening from chaireuse buds, and having green showing thru the center of the flower and a green-midrib. Flowers are broad, full petaled, and heavily subtended; falls nearly horizontal; beard cream. '53 RU-Pres. Cup; **HM'52; AM'56**. Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.10; 3 for \$6.00**
- WELCOME GUEST** (Linse '52) E to L-38" A luscious yellow-gold merging to amber at the edges. An Iris with charm and style. Very brilliant and glowing. [Treva X Tobacco Road]. Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.15**
- WHITE PEACOCK** (Pattison '52) M-38" We have many fine whites but I am inclined to place this at the top of the list. The BIG ruffled flowers of near-perfection are a vision of loveliness. Color almost pure snow white. Falls very flaring, with a spread of 7½". **Cook Mem. Cup '56; RU-Dykes '57** [Katherine Fay X Lady Boscawen]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**
- WIDE WORLD** (Cook '54) M-38" A new color break in a blue and white reversed bicolor that is scheduled to bring forth as many enthusiastic "ohs" and "ahs" as did Dave Hall's pinks when they were first seen. Low branched. Pollen abundant, so now you can easily get imbricata blood into your hybrids. **HM'54** [Iris Imbricata sdlg. X Tall Bearded blue]. Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**
- YLEM** (Lapham '54) ML-36" This is undoubtedly the truest and nearest to spectrum red of any Iris yet introduced. A color so intense that it glows even on a cloudy day. Color actually approaches scarlet, a color advance that has been sought for decades. Unlike most reds, has the constancy and purity of a self; even has smooth clean hafts. Standards have a satiny finish, whereas falls are quite velvety. Everyone will want it just for the color. Has abundant pollen. Try crossing Ylem with Defiance, Bang and Frontier Days, and you may well end up with that super-red. Pollen is usually very good and the seed-setting is marvelous. [Relentless X Pacemaker]. Reg. \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$5.95; 3 for \$16.95**

MY FAVORITE TALL BEARDED — SPECIAL NO. 30 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in TALL BEARDED Iris for **\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00 or \$50.00**, as you prefer.

TALL BEARDED COLOR PLATES — SPECIAL NO. 31 — SEE what you are getting and SAVE MONEY at the same time. See pages 29 thru 33 for these 11 pictures: Argus Pheasant, Ballet Dancer, Blue Valley, Casa Morena, Gold Sovereign, High Command, Magic Carpet, Pretty Quadroon, Quechee, Rainbow Room, Raspberry Ribbon. **Any 6 for \$4.95; ALL 11 for only \$8.95**

YOUR OWN SELECTION OF TALL BEARDED — SPECIAL NO. 32 — Order any 3 or more Tall Bearded (pages 28 thru 34) having a total SALE price of **\$5.00 or more**, and get FREE your choice of **ANY ONE** of these 8 choice regular Tall Bearded or new races of Tall Bearded: Ali Baba-T; Fancyancy-T; Maytime-T; Spanish Fandango-T; Green Ivory-G; Wings of Flight-H; Thurlow Weed-N; Clara B-L. Or order any 4 or more Tall Bearded having a total SALE price of **\$8.95 or more** and get FREE your choice of **ANY TWO** of the 8 varieties listed just above.

Iris NOVELTIES and RARITIES

Strange and Unusual Iris to Amaze Your Friends

Intriguing TULIP-FLOWERED and DOUBLE Iris

CLEMATIFLORA (Vallette '60) M-24" Indeed, one of the oddest Iris ever created. Like a widely-opened yellow-cream tulip, sometimes opening flat. In place of the usual beard there is unique mingling of beard and crest. Standards narrow, erect, irregularly placed, giving an exotic effect, heightened by hafts heavily veined in brown. Stigmas normal, so breeding should be possible. Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65**

MOHR AND MORE (Muhlestein '53) E-40" This is the only double Iris in this group and is for those Iris fans and hybridizers who are seeking something *beyond-the-usual*. This novelty intrigues everyone for it has a strong tendency to produce flowers with four standards and four falls; hence its name. Note however, that this appellation has double meaning and significance. It not only signifies a double flower but the spelling shows that it is an Oncobred. A giant Mohr type flower borne on magnificent tall, straight stalks up to 40" high. A large, wide, rich purple self with flaring falls. [Aldura X Capitola]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

SENORITA ILSA (Rogers '53) M-38" Delightful almost globe-shaped white flowers resulting from falls remaining ascending, above the horizontal, and cupped upward. Inside are nicely-arched normal standards. White even to the crests, anthers, stigmas and beards. A homozygous recessive, strangely arising from 2 blues. RU-AM'58 [Helen McGregor X Sylvia Murray]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65**

THURLOW WEED (Weed '43) EM-38" Oddest, strangest Iris in my garden. Instead of usual 3 standards and 3 falls, this has 6 nearly identical petals strongly curved and arched in open cup-like fashion. More like a pitcher plant or fly-catcher, or even a golden tulip, than an Iris. The 3-petals corresponding to falls sometimes have slight vestiges of beards down inside, but all 6 petals are quite beardless from external appearance. So this is, essentially, a "Bearded" Iris without a beard — and without petals that act as falls. There are no stamens; stigmas normal, so crossing is possible. A creamy white, heavily flushed and veined in yellow..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

WHITE CHALICE (Faught '57) L-32" Yes, this was named to indicate that the newly-opened flower greatly resembles a white chalice, or as some have said, a white tulip, rather than an Iris. The falls of fresh flowers stand upright, enclosing the standards and styles like a cup. As the flower ages all 6 petals spread, transforming the Iris into a flat flower. Heavy substanted, white with greenish cast. A delight to arrangers and appealing to all who crave something out of the ordinary. [(19H x Cahokia) X Spanish Peaks]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.25**

Extra FRAGRANT Beauties

BLUE SURPRISE — My very fragrant Re-Bloomer, page 8.

HIGH TOR (Fielding '52) M-40" While High Tor is widely known for its huge chicory blue and very ruffled flowers, to me its chief appeal is its enticing fragrance — it fills the air with sweet perfume. Very floriferous, which adds both to the beauty of the variety in the garden, and to the extent to which it scents the air. Among tallest of Iris, with stalks that are well branched and stand up well. Sets seed. HC'51, HM'52 [Snow Flurry X Azure Skies]..... Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.15**

SAPPHIRE SEA (Noyd '56) M-38" A clear light blue of exceptional purity that does not fade in hottest sun. Very large and ruffled with waved falls and domed standards. Perhaps its most valuable quality is its extreme fragrance — a few stalks will perfume the room in a short time. Sturdy stalks with very good branching. [Helen McGregor X Spanish Peaks]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

SO SWEET (LaFrenz '54) EM-40" One of the most fragrant Iris in our entire garden. At Iris shows its fragrance causes people to stop by So Sweet. A lovely pale porcelain blue-white with large rounded flowers, well branched. [Snow Flurry X Chivalry]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

SWEET MYSTERY (Porreca '59) 36" A 1959 introduction blessed with a delightful intense fragrance that to-date has defied identification, hence the name, Sweet Mystery. If you enjoy fragrance in your garden, you will certainly want this for it has an extra quota. Like my Blue Surprise, it comes from Chivalry pollen so I suspect that Chivalry carries the genes for fragrance. A very clear ruffled light blue of excellent form and substance on a rugged very hardy plant bred in New York. [Helen McGregor X Chivalry]..... Regularly \$25.00; on \$35 order **\$16.65**

WHISPERWOOD — Most fragrant inexpensive Autumn Iris, page 9.

Useful VARIEGATED-LEAVED Iris

***** Novelty STAR PERFORMER *****

PINK MARBLE (Austin '55) E-24" The white marbling in the green leaves is a curious, decorative phenomenon giving an appearance quite distinct from the striping in the leaves of Zebra. A bright orchid-rose self, full and rounded, with broad petals and stiffly arched standards, typical of true Oncobreds. Grown from embryo-cultured seed [Cherie X Capitola].

***** Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.50; 3 for \$7.15** *****

ZEBRA (Pallida variegata) M-30" A novelty needed in every garden. Leaves striped in creamy yellow and green in a pattern much like that of a zebra. Has striking ornamental

ZEBRA—Needed in every garden—2 for \$1.95

value from March to November. Also, just the thing for individualistic flower arrangements and corsages. Flowers light blue. Best used as edgings or clumps to attract attention, so I give you special group prices. See Ektachrome ... 2 for \$1.95; on \$10 order **3 for \$1.95**



THURLOW WEED—Oddity in full bloom—\$2.00

A Real ONCO-LIKE Oncobred

SUSIANA HYBRID VE-15" A large, glorious hardy red-violet descendant of most famous of all Oncos, Susiana, so much like a true Onco that for 10 years we grew it in beds with our many Oncos. But we found it to be much more robust and water-resistant than any Onco. Last few years we have grown it with complete success in our beds of Bearded Iris that get summer irrigation following our winter rainfall of about 45". Full parentage not known, but it must be an Oncobred, with enough Bearded blood to give it the adaptability that everyone wants. Foliage and rhizomes small, Onco-like, but flowers surprisingly large. Should succeed almost anywhere and give the universally-sought fascination and excitement of an Onco, without the usual difficulties in making it happy in your garden. Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.75**

The Two CREPE PAPER Iris

ELIZABETH HUNTINGTON VE-20" Most novel of all blue Iris. A most remarkable and interesting Intermediate Iris with petals heavily crinkled like crepe paper. Large flowers in lilac-blue, deeper in the falls. Pollen plentiful [Sport of Zua]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**

ZUA VE-14" The original crepe-paper Iris with petals more crinkled and creped than in any other variety. An early-blooming Intermediate Iris that takes everyone's fancy. A most unusual and interesting frosty-white, faintly flushed pale blue. I have no other Iris like this, except its sport, Elizabeth Huntington, listed above. [Sport of Florentina]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**

Iris of EXOTIC COLORINGS

CORSAGE (Watkins '55) E-LM-32" One of the few Iris I would not be without. Nothing else like it; a delight to all who have seen it. Pure satiny white, Pixie-painted and hazily splashed with brilliant yellow in a gay pattern; no two petals are ever alike. Has terrific garden appeal. Stock very limited; order today. Regularly \$4.00; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**

FEATURE OFERING in Novelities

CRAZY QUILT (Vallette '58) M-36" A strange yellow plicata, standards washed light bronzy-red, often irregularly streaked and splashed in bright lilac in a crazy-quilt design. Falls creamy yellow, stippled and edged wine-red. Amount of streaking and splashing in flowers increases as clump gets older, often becoming very striking. Markings extremely variable, with no two flowers, nor even two petals, just alike. [Ruth Pollock X Peachblow]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.45**

CUBA LIBRE (Plough '57) EM-35" A real novelty in a fancy type plicata. Standards pansy violet; falls plum purple. Striking, unusual features are the hafts and throat of bright clear yellow. Pronounced Cu'ba Lee'bray. Try for something really different. [Aladdin's Wish X Pretty Pansy]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.05**

ORCHID QUEEN (Schortman '55) EM-40" A novelty indeed! The ground color is cream and falls are heavily patterned with lines of orchid, like the wings of an exotic butterfly. Creates the illusion of a flower of a new and most unusual shade of orchid. There is no other Iris like this. Very large wide flowers, nicely spaced on ramrod stalks with good branching. Really stands out in the garden and should be a dandy to breed from. Already producing unusual seedlings in plicatas, reds, fancies, and would be wonderful to try with some of the Oncobreds that have the veining. [Snow Flurry X (Inspiration x Balmug)]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

WILLIWAW (Plough '57) EM-34" A strange novelty for your visitors to exclaim over. They will think they are seeing things when they behold chalk white flowers opening from violet buds. All of the color is on the underside of the falls which are deep violet. Rather heavily branched providing loads of these fascinating flowers that hold peoples' attention for a long time. This is indeed what may be termed a conversation piece, and was named for the snow-swirling wind of the Arctic northland. [Aladdin's Wish X Pretty Pansy]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.90**

"I wish we could go to sleep now and wake up at Iris time."
Miss Martha Schroeder, Rockford, Ill.



PINK MOHR →

Note beautifully rounded form—almost like a true ONCO in bewitching pink — \$6.00



← **REAL GOLD**

The new Oncobred that everyone wants \$2.50

Discover the Fascination of **MOHRS, ONCOBREDS** and Other Arilbreds
The Appeal of the ONCO in Hybrids Grown As Easily As Bearded Iris
LARGEST COLLECTION IN EXISTENCE—OVER 100 VARIETIES CATALOGED

Two of My Most Popular Introductions

REAL GOLD (Austin '51) M-28" See in color. Nearest approach to real gold color (not yellow) yet attained in Iris. Has definite Onco characteristics. Most widely known and grown of my four score originations to date. If you don't have it, you're missing something. Standards glistening gold buff. Falls deep gold buff, enhanced by harmonizing soft brown veins and a golden bronze beard. Admired by our visitors. Falls broad, quite flaring, up to 6" spread. Rhizomes small but a terrific increaser; you'll have a big clump with lots of bloom in short order. Yields good pollen and sets seed. 47 chromosomes. [Golden Majesty X Capitola]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

"If there is a really lovely iris in my garden it is **REAL GOLD**. This iris is one in its generation." Royce D. Spinkston, Millswood, South Australia.

EXPERT OPINION: "I like Real Gold. It is much the best of the Onco hybrids that I have seen and I've seen about all of them." Geddes Douglas, Editor, Bulletin of American Iris Society, Nashville, Tenn.

"I wish to take this opportunity to tell you that I am delighted with the wonderful Iris I purchased from you last year. They are the talk of the neighborhood, particularly Real Gold, which has been blooming for three weeks." Miss M. D. Bright, Baltimore, Md.

"We enjoyed the Los Angeles convention and especially your 'Real Gold.' Got some dandy pictures of 'Real Gold'." Wiley and Elizabeth Abshire, Edmond, Okla.

PINK MOHR (Austin '56) M to L-24" See in color. The pinkest Oncobred to date with real Mohr form and very visible Onco characteristics. Imagine a large flower, much like Elmohr, but bright orchid-pink instead of purple. Even "mohr" Onco-like than Elmohr, as it has 1/2 inch soft rosy mulberry signal at end of beard. Resembles Present, but is very much pinker, brighter. Stiff, nearly horizontal falls sometimes spreading out as much as 7". Beard bronzy-yellow. If this were tall, well branched, it would be well worth a very high price, but as it is about 2 ft. high I am making it available at a very modest cost for such a beauty. Rhizomes quite small. [Cherie X Capitola]..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95**

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BOTH — Real Gold and Pink Mohr for **only \$4.95**

PINK ONCOBREDS — Pink Mohr and L'Amohr for **only \$4.95**

GOLD ONCOBREDS — Real Gold, Gold of Ophir and Phosphorescent for **only \$3.75**

"Your **REAL GOLD** is by far the finest and most attractive Onco-hybrid and one of the most unique and outstanding Iris of any kind that I've ever seen. It seems to be perfectly hardy and vigorous in this semi-Arctic, rough-on-Onco section of New York State." D. E. Bailey, Oneonta, N. Y.

For APRIL-MAY-JUNE Bloom

ORIGIN and NOMENCLATURE: Diverse names have been used for this class of wonderful hybrids of Oncos with Bearded Iris, but Clarence White's apt term "Oncobreds" is simplest and best. They have been called Pogocyclis, Eugocyclis and Oncopegas. Included here also are a few other **ARILBREDS**, namely **REGELIABREDS** (Regelias X Bearded), and **ONCOGELIABREDS** (Oncogelias X Bearded).

MOHRS: All of the large ever-increasing family of Mohrs belong in this category, as they all contain both Onco and Bearded blood, and are descendants of the original "William Mohr."

CHARACTERISTICS and USES: As compared with Tall Bearded Iris, these Oncobreds stand out as being highly distinctive and different. They have an amazing array of novel color patterns, some of which are just out of this world. Due to their Onco ancestry, many have broad rounded form surpassing even the newest and finest in Tall Bearded Iris. I have for years been predicting a **RAINBOW OF ONCOBREDS**. Now this is being unveiled before your eyes. Below are world's most complete offerings in this line—not just original purples and lavenders from a few breeders,

but varieties from 32 hybridizers, covering 30 **DISTINCT COLOR AND PATTERN CLASSES**, as listed on page 42. You should have at least one or two in each class to really understand what the new Oncobreds can do for your garden.

EXPRESSION OF ONCO CHARACTERS: Oncobreds vary greatly in the degree to which they exhibit externally the Onco that is in their genetic makeup. Some resemble true Oncos fairly closely, while in others there is no visible evidence of Onco characteristics. Yet the presence of an Onco in the genealogy should make them easier to cross with Arils, and with Oncobreds. The newer and finer Oncobreds are getting closer and closer to the alluring fascination of true Oncos, and are ever so much easier than Oncos to grow.

CULTURE and HARDINESS: The great majority of these have inherited the sturdiness of the Bearded Iris and can easily be grown as explained for Bearded Iris on page 23. A few are strongly Onco-like and should be given extra good drainage and not too much summer water.

NEW FOR 1960

DEEP CRIMSON
SCARLET BUTTERFLY

} For the newest in red Oncobreds see these two with my 1960 introductions on page 3.

ALTAMOHR L-36" One of the tallest, best branched of the Mohrs. Flaring orchid-violet of large size. Heavily veined maroon. Fertile Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**

ANATOLIA (Craig '49) VE-30" The breeder of this, Tom Craig, states that it is the most Onco-like derivative of Wm. Mohr now in commerce. Color applied with much pattern in the Oncocyclis manner. Pinkish red violet, slightly bicolor, with over-all veining and stippling on the falls, with a suggestion of signal patch at tip of beard. Has much promise as a parent. [(Tiffany x Los Angeles) X Capitola].... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c**

FEATURE ONCOBRED FOR 1960

ALLEGRIA VE-15" I call this to your special attention because it is the only one of its kind. For many years we gave this "dry summer" Aril care, and cataloged it as an **Oncogelia**. But it has some Bearded "blood" and we have found the last few years that we can grow it without the slightest difficulty right along with our summer-irrigated Bearded Iris. It can, then, be handled either as an Aril or as a Bearded Iris, as you prefer. In either case you have the fascination of a true **Oncogelia** in an easy-to-grow plant. Probably redder than any **Oncogelia** and very round and Onco-like. In fact, our visitors invariably take it for a true Onco, and exclaim what a "wonderful red Onco" they have found. A beauty, and so easy to grow! 32 chromosomes. [Artemis (Oncogelia) X Ricardi (Bearded)]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.75**

APPIAN WAY (Plough '58) EM-45" One of the newest and very finest from Gordon Plough. An Oncobred derived from that famous cross of **Snow Flurry X Capitola**. Falls enticing **mineral violet** deepening to **phlox purple** on each side of the yellow beard. Full Mohr type flower. A stunning sister to Eastmont. Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$7.10**

BLUMOHR (Marx '49) L-36" A big blue from a different breeding line. From Wm. Mohr X Orloff in unveined **Plumbago blue**. From Tennessee comes report: "It is a perfect thing, in my way of thinking—the color of the **Cattleya orchid**." Blooms at midseason or later. Pollen abundant. HM'49; AM'52 Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.20; 3 for \$3.40; 10 for \$7.50**

BUTTERFLY WINGS (White '46) M-36" As captivating as wings of a tropical butterfly, veining from grandparent, Susiana. I picture a whole cluster, like a swarm of butterflies. Above, **translucent lilac blue**—below, **rich parchment veined in mulberry, crimson and russet**. Exotic charm of Oncos, on yard-high, well branched stalks. May well be best seed-setter of Oncobreds. I have a wide array of seedlings including **OLIVE ORCHID** from Butterfly Wings X Chivalry, and my 1960 introduction **SCARLET BUTTERFLY** is from Butterfly Wings X Rocket. Now you try it. Out-sold all other Oncobreds in its price class. Order NOW. Later will be just too late. HM'47. 48 chromosomes. [(Pink Jadu x Susiana) X (Theme x Sacramento)] See Ektachrome Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

Two Best Inexpensive Pollen Parents

CAPITOLA (Reinelt '40) VE-28" Most potent and most widely used Oncobred pollen parent known today. Among its many descendants: **LADY MOHR**, **REAL GOLD**, **MOHRNING DOVE**, **ORIENTAL MAGIC**, **WITCH DOCTOR**, **OZIE WATERS**, **MARY VALENTINE**. Also valuable as a garden subject. **Colossal blooms of superb form in brilliant red-violet**. Does not set seed; when it has pollen it is highly potent; should be tried on all the finer newer Tall Bearded Iris. Better start NOW! At my new low price **CAPITOLA** is the one best buy for hybridizers in my entire catalog. Better get plenty. You'll want lots of pollen. HM'47; AM'50. [William Mohr X Ib Mac] Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25; 25 for \$12.45**

IB MAC, TRUE (Van Tubergen) EE-13" Two wholly different plants are sold as Ib-Mac. True form is a **big globular flower, deep rosy violet, greatly resembling its offspring Capitola**, but more striking. Has an **intensely black signal patch** and other Onco attributes. One of most potent Oncobred pollen parents. Beard, wide, Oncolike diffuse, brown. Leaves white-based, strongly sickle-shaped, in Onco fashion. Pollen abundant, highly fertile. Rhizomes small [Iberica X Macrantha] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**

CLEMENTINA — One of 3 **EXTRA Premiums** for 1960 only; **FREE** if you send in a \$15.00 order within 15 days. See in **full color**, page 20 Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.25; 3 for \$10.85**

CONQUEST (Marx '52) E-30" Hailed as "blue Lady Mohr." A giant Oncobred, wistaria blue standards, buff cream falls, bronze beard, soft lavender signal. Somewhat reminiscent of **Onco Gatesii**, in its ancestry. Vigorous, free blooming. Pollen available. [Snoqualmie X Capitola] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

COQUETRY (Schreiner '41) E-25" A winsome, delicate Onco-like flower with quaint ruffling. Standards cupped, white, flushed and finely veined in lilac. Falls light lilac pink, with **silvery-white center and fine pink and maroon dots**. Beard wide, Onco-like, bronze and maroon. Style crests prominent and decorative, pinkish buff. Comes from two famous Oncos, **Gatesii** and **Lortetii**, and Bearded Iris Midwest. One of few known tetraploid Oncobreds, with 48 chromosomes. So it should cross with most modern Tall Bearded and give you intriguing progeny. Rhizomes small Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65**

CRYSTAL CLEAR (Craig '51) M-34" Perfect Mohr type flower with a **heavy deep lavender marbling on a light lilac blue background**. Sometimes tinged with green. flowers large, plants hardy and vigorous. [Purissima X Capitola] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

DEEP BUTTERCUP (Muhlestein '48) E-26" An **intensely bright yellow** of large size. From Brown Betty X Golden Eagle, so has **1/4 Onco blood**. Sets seed; pollen is **extremely fertile**, especially on Oncobreds. Very fragrant. HC'47 Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c**

EASTERMOHR (Weidner '53) EM-40" Widely heralded blue Oncobred obtained directly from Wm. Mohr. Believed to be the bluest Oncobred to date, one of tallest, best branched. It is, indeed, remarkable what a **great improvement in height and branching** can be secured in a first generation cross with Wm. Mohr. Flowers very large, ruffled, medium blue, with firmly domed standards and full semi-flaring falls. **Fully hardy** in the East. [Wm. Mohr X Easter Morn] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

EASTMONT (Plough '56) EML-40" A very new Oncobred that is **big, bold and ruffly** — very showy. It is an intense red-violet with brilliant coloring. Stalks tall, well branched. Very tall sword-like foliage which is quite an **ornamental feature in any garden**. [Snow Flurry X Capitola] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.35**

ELMOHR (Loomis '42) ML-35" Imagine a Dykes winner, most popular of the Mohrs, for only a dollar. An enormous Iris of perfect form, draped in Bishop's purple robes of regal splendor. **Dykes Medal '45** [William Mohr X R Sdlg.] Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00; 25 for \$9.95**

ENGRAVED (Craig '52) EM-38" An Onco-plicata that is surprisingly effective. White ground with an **over-all network of crisp steel engraving** in pearly violet. A two year plant often makes a clump with as many as **14 tall bloomstalks**. Will be a feature in any garden. HM'53; '59 **White Award RU**. [Mariposa Mia X Capitola] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$3.85**

GOLDEN BUTTERFLY — My distinctive Regeliabred — \$1.25



BUTTERFLY WINGS — Colorful Oncobred — \$1.25

EVENSONG (Jacobson '50) A wide, full, Mohr type flower that is unusually lovely, done in bright lilac and Patriarch purple. A great future is predicted for this Iris as there is **nothing else quite like it**. Substance heavy. Will set seeds. [N. J. Thomas X Sdlg.] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

FANCYWORK (Craig '51) VE-40" Among the earliest of Oncobreds and a real standout, with very tall stalks and **very bright pink flowers**. Done in new fancy plicata pattern combined with Mohr-type veining. Typical Oncobred flower form combined with tall, vigorous stem characteristics of bearded Iris. **Flaming mulberry leaf-bases** add to brilliant effect. [(Tiffany x Los Angeles) x Sib] X Capitola] Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.10; 3 for \$6.00**

FRANCES CRAIG (Craig '52) VE-38" Tops the blue Oncobreds for size, color and form. Tom considers it the **most beautiful Iris he has ever created**. A huge flower in pearly lilac blue with immense round falls flaring out beautifully. AM'55 [Snow Flurry X Capitola] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**

GIANT MOHR — Like a gigantic, tall, fertile Wm. Mohr, page 44.

GOLD OF OPHIR (Austin '56) M-L-40" Its coloring and its profusion of bloom remind one of a tall hedge of old-fashioned Gold of Ophir roses, so loaded with rich golden flowers that hardly a leaf shows. Gives a wonderful mass of color in a short time. In two years each rhizome will yield a big clump of **8 to 12 tall flower stalks with about 60 flowers** and buds. I know of no other Oncobred that can compete with this record. Individual flowers not large, but so plentiful, so colorful, everyone stands in admiration. Standards very **deep yellow**, falls **bright yellow, heavily washed with reddish orange** Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c**

"Forgive me if I add a word of praise for your wonderful hybrid, **Gold of Ophir**. It was the star attraction of my garden this year." William Shear, Coudersport, Penn.

GOLDEN BUTTERFLY (Austin '54) E-20" See in color. The well-known grace and charm of true Regelias in a hardy hybrid that can be grown in any garden bed right along with regular Tall Bearded Iris. Very distinctive, as this is a **true Regelia-type flower done in yellow colorings**. There are no yellow Regelias. Comes from famous Ola Kala x Hoogiana; has inherited coloring from seed parent and form from pollen parent. **First Iris introduced having a distinct white stripe down the center of each fall**. Reg. \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

HEATHER ANGEL (Linse '56) EM-36" Of tremendous size; fully rounded flowers **eight inches across**. It is perfection in Onco form. A smooth **heather-purple self**, beard tips blue. Standards broad and fully domed, falls semi-flaring, **3 1/2" across**. Extra heavy substance. [New Snow X Capitola] Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

INCANDESCENT (Plough '58) EM-26" Well named for this is indeed a beauty with a glowing appeal. Standards straw yellow; falls dark brownish yellow with a molasses red overlay radiating out from beard like a diffused signal. Beard yellow-brown. Use this to **brighten up your garden and spotlight attention**. [Inca Chief X Asoka of Nepal] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

FINAL LISTING

JOPPA PARROT (White '48) VE-24" Most startling, bizarre Oncobred! Mr. White used Oncos to produce many combinations bordering on the unbelievable, but never one like Joppa Parrot. Standards cupped, Onco-like, mauve, irregularly streaked mulberry. Falls strongly convex in Onco fashion, **bronzy gold**, with pattern of cinnamon-red and yellow, **exploding into bold streaks of mulberry black**. Beard also Onco-like. Superb for seekers of the unusual, and for hybridizers. One of most potent and useful Oncobred pollen parent known. Onco-like, so be sure to provide drainage, mulching in cold regions. Rhizomes small with little foliage in late summer. Best-known, most-wanted of relatively new Clarence White Oncobreds. But I must make room for many new ones, so I am closing it out this year. Better order early if you want this. Reg. \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

LADY DOZIER (Dozier '51) M-35" Without doubt this is the **finest Ormohr seedling to date**; has been praised wherever grown. A full, heavy substandard flower of **rich cobalt or violet-blue**. The plant derives its broad form from the Oncocycilus Iris in its ancestry. Very large and fine. You'll want this one! [Ormohr X Brunhilde] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

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"Flowers belong to fairyland; the flowers, the birds and the butterflies are all that the world has kept of its golden age—the only perfectly beautiful things on earth."—OUIDA.





KALIFA GULNARE

(White '55) E-44" A huge new amoena-variegata bicolor destined to be known as one of Clarence White's greatest achievements. Pale lavender standards, falls with dark crimson signal, golden-buff edge. Beard broad, bronze. Unusually beautiful and very vigorous. Everyone who sees it wants "a piece." Proving to be an excellent parent, giving heavy sets of seed both as a seed parent and as a pollen parent. **HM'59.** 44 chromosomes. Regularly\$12.50 On \$20 order...\$8.95



18 of C. WHITE'S NEWEST FERTILE Oncobreds

NEW GREATLY REDUCED PRICES

As you will see from my color photos above, the NEW C. White Oncobreds approach very closely true Oncos in both form and in their glamorous colorings. So now YOU can have "Onco flowers" on easily-grown Bearded plants. To make that dream possible was the life-ambition of the late Clarence White. The 18 varieties I offer you below represent the final culmination of his 3 decades of painstaking hybridization. The majority of the lovable and widely-grown little Oncobreds that he produced all thru the 1930's and '40s had only 22 chromosomes, were completely sterile, and hence could yield no descendants. But these later creations nearly all have 44 chromosomes and are nearly all FERTILE, some abundantly so. What is more, they are masterpieces in exotic color patterns clearly showing the Onco that is in their ancestry. They range in size from large to huge. If you have not tried some of these NEW ones you are missing the thrill of a lifetime — and for hybridizing nothing surpasses them! Better to get a few of these new wonders than a host of old varieties that will transmit inferior qualities to your treasured seedlings. Order blank is on page 21. Need I say more? Only that world-wide stocks of these coveted Oncobreds are very low, and no such complete assemblage as this has ever been offered anywhere before. Most varieties may be sold out by fall, and may not be available again for years. Better grasp the opportunity while you may! And when you begin to get your results, remember I need further reports on pollen production and seed setting of all new Oncobreds. Most of these contain so much Onco blood that their rhizomes are small and somewhat Onco-like. You may have all 18 foronly \$115.00

ARJUNA AGA (White '53) EM-28" My first offering of an exceptionally colorful Oncobred. Standards a quaint mingling of salmon and lilac; falls apricot-buff, fetching 1/2" blackish maroon signal, orange-bronze beard. Style crests stand out in buff-yellow. Falls semi-flaring. Appearance indicates it has heavy Onco ancestry. Adequate pollen for hybridizers. 44 chromosomes.Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order \$4.95; 3 for \$14.10

ASOKA OF NEPAL (White '50) EM-30" A fascinating combination of unique patterns found in Joppa Parrot & Near East. Strongly splashed like Joppa Parrot, but, like Near East, having a pattern reminding one of a Persian rug. Standards pale mauve with fine violet veins, greenish-yellow ribs. Falls and style crests olive ochre, veined vinaceous russet, splashed blackish-crimson. Easy to grow even in cold climates. Pollen very fertile, will set on William Mohr. Keep in mind that it is this back-crossing that should bring the big breaks. 44 chromosomes.Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order \$6.95; 3 for \$19.80

BALI AGHA (White '52) ● E-L-33" A bicolor with a strong Onco look. Standards lilac, veined purple; falls buff, veined russet, splashed red. Pollen fertile. Wiloh Wilkes reports 27 seeds from one pod, Imam Ahmid X Bali Agha; 130 seeds from 3 pods, Kalifa Gulnare X Bali Agha. So these new Oncobreds are inter-fertile. 44 chromosomes.Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order \$1.95; 3 for \$5.55

BEISAN AGA (White '54) ■ M-28" One of the very finest approaches to black from Oncobred side. A huge blend in dark grayish violet, heavily washed and streaked with black, with a black signal, brown beard. Style crests light maroon. A highly novel color combination and one that visitors fell in love with when it first flowered. Found to do well even in damp climate of Seattle. Excellent form, greatly resembling a true Onco. Appears to have pollen as potent as the old standbys, Capitola, Ib-Mac, True, and Joppa Parrot. 45 chromosomes.Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order \$3.35; 3 for \$9.55

BLACK JOPPA (White '54) ■ M-32" A blackish version of Joppa Parrot. Blackish slate and orchid gray, veined and stippled rosy browns. Of even broader form than Joppa Parrot, more vigorous growing. Sets seed more easily than Joppa Parrot; has fertile pollen.Regularly \$6.00; on \$10 order \$3.95; 3 for \$11.25

CHENIK AGA (White '54) 26" It is doubtful if any Iris ever created by Clarence White has been more coveted by those who have seen it than Chenik Aga. A giant flower with plenty of Onco characteristics, somewhat resembling Joppa Parrot, but wildly brilliant. This fabulous Iris is world renowned. Done in cream-buff and golden-orange. The standards very heavily splashed with purplish-red and falls heavily splashed with blackish maroon, stiff and flaring, wide, broad at haft. Beard deep bronze, wide. Pollen very fertile and gave me several good sets.Regularly \$25.00, on \$35 order \$19.95

IMAM AHMID (White '56) M-35" Very beautiful. Standards lilac, deeper veined; falls old gold dusted with golden sparkles. A large flower, clearly shows Onco ancestry. A strong tall grower. Known to pass its vigor to its seedlings. Pollen abundant, fertile; splendid seed-setter. 44 chromosomes.Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order \$8.95; 3 for \$25.50

JALLAH EFFENDI (White '52) ● E-30" ▲

As my color picture shows, this is amazingly colorful. It is my top favorite in this group. Standards buff yellow with delicate mahogany veins and sometimes a chartreuse tinge. Falls cinnamon yellow, flushed red, peppered in purple. Very wide heavy orange beard. An impressive Oncobred that is hardy and increases well. Pollen highly fertile, giving fat pods with many seeds on most new Oncobreds tried; also sets seed as well as any Oncobred. So here's your chance for a dandy breeder at low cost. 44 chromosomes.Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order \$3.35; 3 for \$9.95

IMAM JABAN (White '56) ■ M-30" A novel bitone of large size. Standards oyster-shell white, cream lined; falls primuline yellow, edged lighter; beard straw-yellow. Pollen fertile; sets seed with C. White things. Reg. \$7.50; on \$10 order \$4.95; 3, \$12.60

IMAM SALAH (White '56) E-28" A large flower with a bold but soft, pleasing coloring in sulphur yellow, with amber yellow overtones on falls; whole flower accented by a dusky purple signal. A heavy bloomer; 15 flower stalks on a 2-year clump. Pollen fertile; sets seed well with pollen from new White Oncobreds; also W. Wilkes reports 26 seeds from Real Gold X Imam Salah. 44 chromosomes.Regularly \$15.00; on \$20 order \$9.95

KALIFA BALTIS (White '55) VE-40" A richly patterned and elegant bitone. Standards light yellow buff. Falls golden olive buff, flushed red from haft and with small crimson signal at end of bronze beard. A real novelty, and the favorite of many of our visitors. Quite vigorous growing. Very fertile both ways; is yielding vigorous seedlings. 44 chromosomes.Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order \$6.95; 3 for \$18.75

KALIFA HIRFA (White '55) E-32" My initial offering of a new Oncobred that has been extremely scarce, practically unavailable heretofore. Both plant and flowers are Aril-like, but stalks and leaves are taller and more vigorous than in true Arils. Standards pleasing lavender and gray; falls old gold splashed purple with heavy mulberry signals. Beard strange dahlia purple. 44 chromosomes.Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order \$8.95

KING HENRY (White '57) E-18" I think I can safely recommend King Henry as having the most fertile pollen of any of these new Oncobreds. There is loads of it and several have reported to me that it took on everything tried, including: Oncobreds, Tangerine Bearded, and Autumn Bloomers. Also sets seed, so there is no better one to use in getting started in this highly promising field. Designed in deep cool reds with ground of rose dust and entire flower veined in Port wine. Reg. \$10.00; on \$15 order \$7.95; 3 for \$22.65

LABAN EFFENDI (White '54) ● M-32" Destined for great popularity with gardeners and flower arrangers. Standards softly colored like a Foxglove; falls Catawba, blended and veined on lighter ground, intense black signal, like an Onco. Judges loved it and called it "Sugar Plum" but name not available. Vigorous grower, prolific increaser. Fertility not yet reported. Try it and let me know. Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order \$1; 3, \$2.85; 10, \$7.50

SAYED YARMUK (White '56) ML-30" Large, very round, richly colored flowers produced in profusion. A bicolor with light lobelia-violet standards and dark Spanish raisin falls, blended buff border. Splendid pollen, sets seed. Wiloh Wilkes comments: "It's such a beautiful thing I'd sure like to see its offspring." Reg. \$15; on \$20 order \$12.95

SIDI PASHA (White '54) M-30" A strikingly curious tailored Oncobred. Standards mustard yellow, sulphine penciling, splashed pansy purple; falls mustard yellow splashed burnt lake and brown. Beard yellow. Very good pollen fertility.Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order \$8.95; 3 for \$25.50

TATAI PASHA (White '55) ■ M-30" Most vivid and nearest to orange of any of the White hybrids. A big, vigorous orange-yellow. Falls penciled red-russet. Fetching brown signal. You'll love it. Pollen very profuse. 44 chromosomes.Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order \$4.95; 3 for \$14.10

WHITE'S ONCOBRED STARTER — SPECIAL NO. 42 — The 3 marked ●...\$4.95
HYBRIDIZER'S DE LUXE — SPECIAL NO. 43 — The 4 marked ■...for only \$14

L'AMOHR (Craig '54) EM-32" Here is a **real delight** for those searching for a pink Mohr. One of the pinkest of Oncobreds. Almost a self in cream pink with burnished gold dust on falls. Like a **pink Lady Mohr** with a **red-violet signal** and a light yellow beard. Pollen plentiful. Has set seed when crossed with Kalifa Gulnare and Kalifa Kabul. [Lady Mohr X Tangerine Bearded Pink Sdlg.].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

LEMON SILK (Austin '54) EM-30" A lovely combination of **clear lemon-yellow standards**, with **creamy white** falls having a **tiny edging of yellow**. Often faintly flushed rosy lilac. Same **silky finish** as Hoogiana, flower 50% larger. Petals narrow, showing Regelia ancestry. Nicely branched, **7 or 8 flowers per stalk**, often 3 out at once. Frequently several large buds ready to open at same time; poised in an upright, well-spaced fashion like candles on a candelabrum. **Pollen plentiful**.....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c**

MADAM MOHR (Betcherer '51) M-40" Finest of ultra smooth lilac blue selfs. Mammoth broad-petaled flowers in beautiful Onco form. A real crowd-stopper. Stalks tall, branched. Easy to grow. [Morera X (Dauntless x Tropic Seas)] Reg. \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.80**

★★★★★ **Oncobred STAR PERFORMER** ★★★★★

MAGIC LIGHT (Austin '55) EM-30" A highly interesting **Oncogeliabred** resulting from crossing the Oncogelia Theseus with pollen of Tall Bearded Iris Pink Formal. Standards bewitching **silvery-pink**, veined **dark crimson**. Falls **silvery rose**, becoming misty crimson in center, darkening to a **blackish maroon signal** at end of bronze beard. The dark crimson veining gives us the charm of Theseus in a hybrid readily grown right along with Bearded Iris. Hardy.

★★★★★ Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05** ★★★★★

MARY MCLELLAN — '59 C. G. White Award. See Colossals, page 44.

MARY VALENTINE (Craig '52) EM-40" A giant pale Mohr hybrid characterized by Fisher Harris in Salt Lake City in these words "**The most beautiful light blue Iris I've ever seen**, surpassing all others in clarity of color, size, form, color fastness, continuity of bloom." Extra tall, well branched. HM'53. [Purissima X Capitola].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

MAUVE DUST (Craig '53) M-38" A Mohr hybrid that is **both huge and tall**, and also very attractive. A bitone with **mauve** standards and falls similar but delicately veined **pansy violet**; beard yellow-ochre. **Wide Mohr-type flower**. I expect that this may re-bloom under favorable conditions as it has both China Maid and Tiffany in its background. [(China Maid x Tiffany) X Capitola]Reg. \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

MOHR AFFAIR EM-33" A direct descendent of William Mohr, in rich wine color. A darker, richer Elmohr with same perfectly formed flowers. Stalks erect, well branched. Hardy in the East. HM'53....Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**

MOHR BEAUTY (Milliken '49) LM-36" First **yellow Oncobred** with Onco form. A glistening, ruffled pale yellow with white signal. Foliage like Tall Bearded. Easy to grow. HM'53. [Elmohr X Y Sdlg.].....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

MOHR COURAGEOUS (Naylor '54) EM-40" A hardy Utah origination somewhat resembling the famous Elmohr. **Violet falls with an infusion of brown**, exceedingly flaring, almost horizontal, waved. **Grows shoulder high** and has its tremendous flowers well spaced. [Wm. Mohr X (Snow Flurry x Winter Carnival)].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

MOHRESQUE (Keith '50) M-40" Standards **light brown**, falls **yellowish buff** at edges, deepening to **nearly chartreuse** at hafts with purple flecking in falls. Presumably came from Doga X Zwannenburg, but is ever so much larger and taller than either. Will set some seed. HM'52.... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**

MOHR GLORIOUS (Muhlestein '53) ML-32" A magnificent glorified version of the world renowned Elmohr, but with **even larger flowers** and the **heaviest substance imaginable**. A very **rich mulberry-red**, with extremely broad petals. Note double "dose" of Mohr blood in its parentage. Sdlg. Cup Utah I. S. Show '51; HM'54; JC'55. [Elmohr X (The Red Douglas x Jocyette) x (Wm. Mohr x Mussolini)].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

MOHRLOFF M Combines both names and flowers. Lavender sprinkled over a white ground. Sets seed, abundant pollen.....Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**

MOHR VELVET (Muhlestein '52) ML-38" Mohr Velvet is fertile **both ways**. Its pollen is the **most potent of any on Mohrs and other Oncobreds**. A large, well-tailored medium yellow, very velvety falls, a deep orange-yellow beard. A complete self without veins. Has wonderful blood for pinks and yellows. Remarkable plush-like appearance. [(Elmohr x Hall Flaming Pink) X 45-41 D].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65**

MORNING BLUE VE-42" A lovely blue self with that **Onco look** — a flower of superb form, gigantic size, borne on tall stems.Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**

NEW LOOK (Johnson '52) M-ML-34" One of the **finest red Oncobreds**. Standards heavily substance, deep wine-red, strangely upright. **Yellow style arms, nearly twice as large as in ordinary bearded Iris**. Exquisite tracery of veins and dots. Falls flaring, heavily substance, very velvety, crimson-red, veined in dark red. Beard broad, golden brown. [William Mohr X probably Bruno].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

NIGHT MOTH (Craig '50) E-38" Marked in **characteristic Onco fashion**, produced on tall stalks from vigorous plants of **easy culture**. Pale wistaria, heavily veined and stippled at haft; small **deep violet signal** accent at tip of beard. Sets seed. [Advance Guard x Mitchell 2021] X Jumna].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50; 25 for \$14.95**

PARACHUTE #2 M-35" Heavy substance, with distinctly Mohr form. At first, pale lavender, marbled deeper lavender, gradually lightens to almost pure white. Ruffled, crumpled in attractive manner.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c**

Something Really New! 4 Tangerine Bearded Oncobreds

BLUE ABALONE (Austin '55) EM to M-32" The wondrous varying colorings of an abalone shell in tones of blue. Standards pale lilac blue. Falls deep lilac blue, paler at edge, striking brown veins at haft beside the unusual heavy **bright tangerine beard**. [Elmohr X Abalone Shell].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c**

CENTER GLOW (Noyd '57) ML-32" A delightful new Oncobred. One of the very first to have **both the bright tangerine beard and lacy petal edges**. This novel combination is quite fascinating. A ruffled cream self with a glowing haft of peachy apricot. Petal edges serrated and lightly laced. Still another virtue is its **very pleasing fragrance**. Good substance and fine branching.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$4.75**

PEACH SHERBET (Craig '55) ML-30" A remarkable tangerine-bearded Iris from Oncobred breeding. Standards **light apricot pink**; falls **pale apricot**, of heavy substance, flaring with **bright tangerine beard** and striking yellow hafts. [Blue Ox X (Mt. Wash. x Flora Zenor) x (Lady Mohr x pink sdlg.)].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

PINK MAUVE MOHR (Noyd '56) EM-34" A charming deep-mauve self attractively set off by a **tangerine beard**, so unusual among Oncobreds. Attractive nicely formed flowers. One for the hybridizers. No pollen but a **remarkable pod parent**, throwing whites, pinks, orchids and pinks overlaid light blue, all with tangerine beards. A dandy to use in starting your fun with hybridizing. **Results will come quickly!** [(Ormohr x Indian Hills) X Loomis Shell Pink Sdlg.].....Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

PERSIAN MOHR (Austin '53) EM-33" From **Golden Majesty X Capitola**, clearly showing Onco ancestry. Standards **silvery violet**. Falls, dark mulberry with intricate brown markings. Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.40; 10, \$7.50; 25, \$14.95**

PHOSPHORESCENT (Craig '51) E-36" An unusual descendant of Joppa Parrot. It is fertile **both ways**. A blend of Naples yellow and golden ochre with hafts of madder brown. A lustrous lavender flush radiates over the falls. Well named. [Gay Senorita X Joppa Parrot].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

PINK MARBLE — Beautifully marbled foliage. See Novelties, page 35.

PINK MOHR — See color photograph and description on page 36.

Best Inexpensive PINK Oncobred
PRESENT (White '41) VE-32" Like a triumphant queen, tall, breathtaking, retaining the exotic Onco charm. **Alluring amethyst-pink, embroidered like handiwork of the East** with fine tracery of deep pink veins, set off by a **blackish rose beauty spot**. AM'49. [Onco X Bearded].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

GREEN
MOHR

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NOMOHR →

(Gibson '55) EML-38" Rich bamboo-cream, close to top of Oncobreds in size, ruffling, color appeal. Undoubtedly heaviest ruffled of all Oncobreds; very heavy substance that holds ruffling in place. Falls strongly flaring, spreading out to 7". White blaze at end of yellow beard. Among finest of Oncobreds, one you cannot afford to be without. Note the awards and you will see that the judges have found and recognized this beauty. Fertile both ways. HM '56; JC'57 [Snow Flurry X Elmohr]. See **Ektachrome**. Regularly \$4.00; on \$10.00 order **\$2.95**

"Rain, rain and sun!
A rainbow in the sky!"
TENNYSON:
Idylls of the King.

PUNCH BOWL (Craig '51) EM-36" A profuse blooming, very popular favorite. Standards large, white, veined all over in burgundy. Falls Onco-type, white with burgundy border & center stripe. Well branched. [(Tiffany x Los Angeles) x sib.] X Joppa Parrot]. Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

✱**PURISSAMOH** (Weidner '52) ML-40" **Acclaimed as sensational.** Pure white of faultless classic form. Large, very heavy substantiated with closed domed standards, very broad, flaring falls. Delightfully ruffled. Stalks with three branches and terminal, 8 to 10 flowers. **Superb blood for breeding.** Sets seed. Pollen abundant. Hardy. Sweet fragrance. **HM'52.** [William Mohr X (Purissima x Easter Morn)] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.40**

RARE PEARL (Schramm '54) EM-36" A delight in bewitching mother-of-pearl, bringing to the easy-to-grow Mohr family much of the charm of a true Onco. In fact Senior Fothergill in England makes this comment "Before one spots that it has more than one bud to a stem it could easily be placed as some Oncocyclis iris of an entirely new species." A blended pearly cream, flushed violet. Surely one of the prettiest and most unusual of the Mohrs. Vigorous and healthy. Sets seed. [Elmohr X Mt. Washington] Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

REAL GOLD — See color photograph and description on page 36.

RED JOPPA (Austin '59) EM-38" A striking new Oncobred done in tones of red, a color seldom seen in Oncobreds. Standards light crimson, veined deeper. Light crimson of the falls merges to a flush of deep red in center, just below **black beauty spot** and heavy gold beard. Stalks well-branched, quite tall for an Oncobred. A descendant of the famed **Joppa Parrot**. [Maytime X Joppa Parrot]. Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

ROSEMOHR (Lewis '49) M-40" One of the largest and tallest of Mohrs in pink tones. **Huge rosy pink flowers**, flaring ruffled falls, typical Mohr veining. John Ohl, Kansas Oncobred enthusiast, reports this appears very good. [Ormohr X Red Valor] Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00**

ROYAL ACCENT (Craig '50) EM-28" Named because of the prominent mulberry-black signal about ¾ inch across at end of bronzy yellow beard. This gives the flower a strong Onco-like look. A smooth manganese violet self with nicely arched standards and falls flaring out horizontally. One of the easiest ways to get the appeal of an Onco in your garden. [Snoqualmie X Capitola] Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.25**

✱**SAFFRON CHARM** (Benbow '54) E-28" Even a novice can tell this is out of the ordinary. Stoloniifera X yellow Tall Bearded. Standards ruffled, shimmering with bright saffron-yellow stitching, blending to blue. Falls lilac-blue blended with paler yellow. Beard grey. Stem carries up to 7 flowers. Leaves remain green, unlike Stoloniifera. Sets seed. Pollen fertile on most of new White Oncobreds. **HM'58.** Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

SANDY MOHR (Loomis '57) M-36" A big unusual William Mohr derivative from Dr. Loomis, originator of the Dykes winner, Elmohr. Dr. Loomis has bred great numbers of William Mohr seedlings and introduces only the very finest. This one is a fetching bicolor in tones quite unusual among Mohr offspring. Standards yellow-tan; falls deeper yellow-brown. Large flowers of the characteristic Mohr shape and substance. Excellent branching. Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order **\$5.60; 3 for \$15.95**

SIKHMOHR (Weidner '53) M-36" Stunning bright showy rosy-red Mohr of heavy substance with wonderful depth of color. Strangely, foliage and rhizomes resemble William Mohr, yet stalks are yard high and 3-way branched, remarkable for direct William Mohr descendant. Don't pass up this one. Will be sought by hybridizers. [Wm. Mohr X Dauntless x Sikh] Reg. \$3; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

SUNFROST (Peterson '57) ML-36" A William Mohr descendant that is a wonderful addition to the yellow amoenas. A real beauty with perky, perfectly formed flowers. Standards waxy white; falls round, perfectly horizontal, lovely, clean, medium yellow dimming slightly at the edges. Hafts free of venations. This made a real hit at a recent Salt Lake Iris show. Why not exhibit it at your show and win a prize? Partially fertile both ways; compatible with the new C. White Oncobreds. [(William Mohr) x (Happy Days x Wabash)] X Moontide] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$17.95**

MY FAVORITE ONCOBREDS — SPECIAL NO. 44 — Explained on page 2, I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in the interesting Oncobreds for **\$5.00; \$10.00; \$25.00 or \$50.00**, as you prefer.

RED STAR BARGAIN — SPECIAL NO. 45 — Your choice of any 5 Oncobreds (pages 36 thru 40) marked with the red-circled star ✱ (values up to \$2.50) for **\$5.95 any 10 for only \$9.95**



WILLIAM MOHR, GIANT — Your last chance!

FINAL LISTING

WILLIAM MOHR, GIANT (Mohr-Mitchell) EM-27" Famous original from which all Mohrs have descended. This strain more vigorous than commonly grown. Flowers larger, 5½" x 6", on stalks 27" tall, much above common form. Visitors insist on this strain. Occasionally has pollen; preferred by hybridizers. Direct descendants include Blumohr, Capitola, Eastermohr, Elmohr, Green Mohr, New Look and Purissamohr. Rhizomes small. To make room for many new Oncobreds this famous "oldie" is here listed for the last time. [Parisiana X Gatesii]. See in full color. Regularly \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.95**

WITCH DOCTOR — Immense and stunning, see Colossals, page 44.

YUSSUF EE-36" Bold flower with evident touch of the Near East. Very large, unique grayish mulberry, irregularly flecked cream. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **70c**

ZEBULON VL-36" Huge, veined lilac rose & purplish crimson. Fertile. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75**

Don't Miss the 12 GREENISH Oncobreds

✱**AMERICAN MODERN** E-38" Done in olive-ochre, sometimes strangely flecked bluish green. Falls heavily washed and veined in red. A medley of color, strange yet lovely. Has pollen & sets seed Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**

CITRINE (White '53) E-36" One of the strangest and most unusual of all of the greenish Oncobreds. A smoky-chartreuse or buff-olive self veined in a darker green tone and heavily splashed purple. Will rank among the greenest of Iris. Reported by introducer to be about half Onco. 45 chromosomes. Reg. \$2.25; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

✱**CORONATION TAPESTRY** (Craig '53) EM-38" Strangely blended and veined. A bicolor involving lilac, brown, gold, coronation purple, rose maroon, hudson seal and even palmleaf green. Of special interest to lovers of the exotic and to breeders of greens. **HM'55.** [Gay Senorita X Joppa Parrot] Reg. \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35**

GRAY MOHR (Paul '56) EM-36" A huge striking Mohr type flower in a most unusual coloring. It may be termed yellowish-gray-chartreuse. Falls flecked olive-brown. Only those who have actually seen Gatesii will realize how closely this resembles its exotic Oncocyclis grandparent. Certainly a "throw-back" and one that could be very useful to the breeder. As large as Gatesii and has much the same appeal. But unlike most Oncos this is fast of increase and easy to grow. Superb for either garden display or indoor arrangements. Pollen plentiful. [Wm. Mohr X (Alta California x King Midas)] Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$2.85**

GREEN MOHR (Muhlestein '51) ML-40" An appealing color. A silvery grey flushed with greenish yellow. Lavender flush center of falls. An extra large flower of full Mohr form and with definite Onco characteristics. Buds strongly olive green indicating large amount of green in make-up. Should be crossed with the best of the greenish Tall Bearded. Will set seed, has plentiful pollen. **HC'50; HM'52.** [William Mohr X Chosen]. See life-like photograph. Regularly \$1.75; on \$10 order **\$1.50**

APPRAISAL: "Visitors were stopped 'dead in their tracks' by a magnificent display of new Onco hybrids including ... Green Mohr, a huge chartreuse variety." Report in A.I.S. Bulletin, 128 on visit to Prof. Harrison's garden in Massachusetts.

See also groups of fascinating greenish Iris on pages 18 and 19

✱**GREEN PHEASANT** (Murray) VE-35" Here is a real novelty for the many who are now breeding for "greens." A stunning tan-brown with a heavy infusion of green. Standards closed, falls flaring. A heavy increaser. Parentage not available, but Mr. Murray tells me it is half Onco. Brilliant crimson leaf bases add materially to colorful effect. Has pollen Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1; 3 for \$2.55; 10 for \$7.50**

KALIFA BALTIS — See box of Clarence White Oncobreds on page 38.

LADY MOHR VE-36" Has been close to top of Irisdom. Standards oystershell white infused lavender. Falls bewitching seafoam or chartreuse yellow. Abundantly fertile. **HM'44; AM'46.** Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

MOHR MAJESTY (Walker '52) M-36" Large lovely chartreuse-buff, typical Onco veining in wine red. Petals broad with standards domed in Onco fashion. A sensational flower. **HM'52.** [Wm. Mohr X Golden Majesty] Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **90c**

OLIVE ORCHID (Austin '56) L-40" Most "unusual" Oncobred I ever bloomed! Has an almost believe-it-or-not combination of hafts prominently marked with broad olive veins on petals of pale lilac-blue. It is 40" tall, with excellent branching, characteristics seldom associated with Oncobreds. Usually 3 long branches, one short one. Unlike most Oncobreds, it blooms late. Good pollen. [Butterfly Wings X Chivalry] Regularly \$3.50; on \$10 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**

RIPPLES E to M-36" Immense hybrid with blooms 7 to 8 inches across. Falls broad, flaring, waved. A lovely old lilac with hafts and margins olive yellow. Sets seed. Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c**

✱**SESPE** (Walker '52) M-54" Not exceeded in vigor by any other Oncobred. I saw this growing in originator's garden to a height of 6 feet. A graceful greenish-yellow with nicely flaring falls, excellent substance. **HC'49.** [Brown Betty X Fort Knox] Regularly \$1.25; on \$10 order **85c**

Wondering about the meaning of the symbol ✱ that you find all through the catalog? These are the choicest of the inexpensive Iris, especially recommended for beginners.

Turn on the **COLOR EARLY** With These **DWARF** and **MEDIAN** Iris

Use The **DWARFS** To Begin Your Iris Season For **FEB.-MARCH-APRIL** Bloom

USES: Low edgings, rock gardens and window boxes or pots. Rhizomes small.

BLOOMING TIMES: Like to be surprised and delighted each and every spring? Then by all means plant some Dwarfs. They awake from their winter slumbers with the first inkling of spring warmth. Some morning, before you are expecting them, there they'll be, blooming away when winter has hardly left. From then on "Iris fever" develops rapidly and is soon at high pitch.

- ★ **ABLAZE** (Welch '56) 5" Tiny variegata, ablaze with color. Standards yellow, falls maroon-red, bordered yellow. Orange beard. HM'56; Award of Special Merit '56 [(TB pink x Nana) X yellow pumila].... Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1, 3 for \$2.85; 10, \$7.50**
- ★ **AZUREA** 6" Delightful, fairly large, sky blue, prettily veined lilac. Beard white.... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**
- ★ **BLUE BAND** 6" Neat, very blue bitone, white beard. Profuse pollen.... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.35; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**
- ★ **BLUE FROST** 5" Beautifully formed sky-blue pumila hybrid, flaring form, white beard. Slim delicate foliage. '59 Caparne Award. Reg. \$4; on \$10 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**
- ★ **BURCHFIELD** 7" Heavy blooming intense orange-yellow. My favorite!.... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**
- ★ **BUSTER BROWN** 8" A bitone. Standards maple sugar brown, falls dark reddish brown. Heavy, long-time bloomer. HM'55.... \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85**
- ★ **CARPATHIA** (Schreiner) 4" A midget. Standards light yellow, falls olive yellow. Floriferous. Boon to every hybridizer.... Reg. \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65**
- ★ **CHERRY SPOT** (Welch '56) 7" Bright bicolor. Pure white standards, falls white edged, large cherry-red center. HM'56; RU-Caparne Award '58 & '59 [(G-504 x G-509) X (Cook 1546 x Carpathia)].... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.90**
- ★ **CRETICA** 4" Tiny bright pink-mauve, lilac beard. Produces blends in purplish to pinkish tones. Pollen blue, plentiful. Reg. \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.20**
- ★ **FIOR DEL MONDO** 11" Striking variegata. Yellow & ochre yellow, splashed dark red.... Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10, \$3.75; 25, \$7.45**
- ★ **GAY LASSIE** (Welch '56) 7" First "little Pinnacle" in Dwarfs. White standards, yellow falls bordered white. White beard.... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **\$1.10; 3 for \$3.15; 10 for \$7.50**
- ★ **HEATHERBLOOM** 6" Largest red Dwarf. A striking Hydrangea red, domed standards, dark velvety falls. Unusual. Pollen abundant.... Reg. \$1; on \$10 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**
- ★ **INCHALONG** (Cook '54) VE-4" Remarkable trisectional hybrid that looks like pumila. Luminous pale lemon yellow, quite floriferous. Hardy, easy to grow. Pollen fertile. [(Socrates x pumila) X (chamaeiris Balkana x mellita)].... Reg. \$1.25; on \$10 order **\$1.00**
- ★ **INKY** 7" At last a high quality really black dwarf. Standards black-violet; falls soot black, contrasting orange beard. Hardy.... Reg. \$3; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**
- ★ **LAVENDER DAWN** 5" Long-season prize lilac; best for foliage ground cover. Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**
- ★ **LITTLE MOHEE** (Grapes '54) 5" Delightful blended brown bitone. Standards light brown, falls chestnut brown with narrow border of yellow. HM'54; RU-Caparne Award '58 & '59. [Orange Queen X Pumila]. Reg. \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.60; 3 for \$4.55**
- ★ **LITTLE VILLAIN** (Welch '54) Visualize a pure white beard on a dark black-violet, horizontal falls. A real eye-catcher!.... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**
- ★ **MIST O'PINK** 9" Bright rose pink, neat wide-extended falls. Beard yellow.... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**
- ★ **MOON GLEAM** 7" See **Ektachrome**. Very superior, large light yellow.... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**
- ★ **ORANGE GLINT** (Welch '53) 7" Deep orange-yellow—deepest yellow in dwarfs. Beard orange. Excellent parent. HM'53.... Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.10; 3, \$3.15**
- ★ **PROMISE** 4" Finest pearly mauve-pink, stiffly flaring wide horizontal falls give it distinction. [Arenaria hybrid].... Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**
- ★ **ROSE BLUSH** 5" Largest-flowered Dwarf, spread of 5 inches. Lavender pink, spreading falls.... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**
- ★ **SPARKLING EYES** (Welch '54) 7" First true amoena in dwarfs. Standards pure white, falls blue-violet with white border.... Reg. \$2; on \$10 order **\$1.60; 3 for \$4.55**
- ★ **SULINA** 4" A midget in deep violet-blue, blackish violet signal, lilac-blue beard. Pollen is blue. Reg. \$1.50; on \$10 order **95c; 3 for \$2.40; 10, \$7.50; 25, \$14.95**

FEATURE OFFERING in Dwarfs

- ★ **VERI-GAY** (Welch '54) 6" Standards bright yellow, falls reddish, yellow border; beard orange. Caparne Award '58. \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**
- ★ **VIOLET NIGHT** (Welch '55) VE-6" Much admired. Really dark deep violet self with violet beard. Good form. Won Dwarf Award of Special Merit '56.... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**

For the **GREEN** Dwarfs and Medians see page 18

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4 Types of **MEDIANS** to Follow Your Season Thru

Earliest—**LILLIPUTS** March-April-May Bloom

- Multiple bloom stalks give heavy long season bloom, starting very early with last of Dwarfs.
- ★ **BARIA** 10" Lovely light yellow. Long heavy bloom.... Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **70c**
 - ★ **FAIRY FLAX** 11" Clear flax blue, white beard. Spreads like magic. RU-Cook Douglas Award '59.... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c**
 - ★ **GARNET TREASURE** 8" Finest red Lilliput; makes carpet of blooms. Standards wine-red; falls flaring, deep garnet. Very showy.... Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **95c**
 - ★ **PIGMY GOLD** 12" Brilliant yellow, flaring, velvety. Begins with Dwarfs, lasts until Tall Bearded. Very fragrant.... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**
 - ★ **TINKERBELL** 12" Flaring blue, deeper blue in center of falls. Ruffled, lovely. RU-Cook Douglas Award '59. Reg. \$1; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**

Varied **INTERMEDIATES**—April-May Bloom

- Plant back of your edging of Dwarfs & Lilliputs. They fill blooming gap between Lilliputs & Tallis.
- ★ **RUBY GLOW** 22" Velvety ruby-red, orange beard. Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **50c**
 - ★ **SNOW MAIDEN** 12" Pure white, very fragrant. 60c; \$10 order **50c; 3, \$1.45**
 - ★ **ST. OSYTH** 26" Duck-egg blue self—most beautiful blue intermediate. Pollen potent.... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$3.75**
 - ★ **TANGERINE SNOW** (Austin '57) E-27" This Intermediate has the often-sought small flowers delightfully adapted to certain arrangements and bouquets where ordinary Iris are out of place. A white as pure as drifted snow with a bright, startling tangerine beard. [Cloudcap X Party Dress].... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**

Useful **BORDER IRIS**—May-June Bloom

Resemble Tallis but are under 30", so plant in front of Tallis for professional effects.

- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **Median STAR PERFORMER** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
- ★ **CHERRY FALLS** (Douglas '53) ML-24" Aglow with life and fire. Bright yellow standards, erect, firm. Brilliant velvety cherry-red falls give a dash and radiance. ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
- ★ Hard to beat for edgings and low clumps for accent. Pollen abundant. HM'53.... ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
- ★ Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
- ★ **CRICKET** (Knowlton '58) ML-22" Stunning, unusual variegata. Yellow above beautiful velvety brown & burnt sienna. Pollen good. HM'58.... Reg. \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.35**
- ★ **GOLD INTENSITY** (Austin '54) EM-22" Intense smooth yellow above very deep orange yellow, orange beard. Heavy bloomer, often 3 blooms out at once. Use for arrangements. Good pollen.... Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10, \$5.00**
- ★ "Gold Intensity was outstanding at Kingwood Center, Mansfield, Ohio, this spring. It looked like the perfect border Iris."—Eva J. Taylor, North Vernon, Indiana.
- ★ **LODESTAR** (Hall) M-24" My favorite of all Median Iris. An eye-catching variegata. Standards bright yellow; falls dark scarlet, edged yellow. Possesses a brightness, clarity of color and contrast hardly equaled, and one I eagerly await each spring. You'll do the same!.... Regularly \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**
- ★ **MIRAGE** (Reinhart '56) M-24" New, fascinating color break in plicatas. Standards and falls reddish-black violet; edging of yellow on both. Bright daffodil yellow at haft ending in a point at end of beard; white blaze in center. Really novel! [Royal Scot X (Orloff x Elsa Sass)].... Regularly \$2.50; on \$10 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**
- ★ **PEARL CUP** (Knowlton) ML-16" A pleasing new color pattern in Table Iris. A dainty soft-colored amoena. Standards erect, white with interesting green veins along the mid-rib. Falls, flaring, amethyst, faintly edged in white. Beard novel, dark gold-bronze. Sweetly fragrant. [Amigo X Spun Gold].... Regularly \$2.00; on \$10 order **\$1.80**
- ★ **PINK RUFFLES** M-27" Exquisite lilac pink, ruffled.... Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.35; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$7.45**
- ★ **PRECIOUS GEM** M-24" Lovely rose plicata with stitching of mulberry rose. One you will fall in love with.... Reg. \$1.00; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.65; 10, \$5.00**
- ★ **RAJAH** (Smith '44) EM-20" Bright yellow standards. Falls deep red, with brilliant crimson flush. Large, nicely rounded flowers. Well branched, heavy bloomer [Cadetou X Marvellous]. In life-like color.... Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**
- ★ **SULTAN'S ARMOUR** (Edmison '54) M-24" Finest border Iris and the only brown. Rich, brilliant brown, free of haft markings; stiff horizontal falls, 2" broad at hafts. Try mixed in with Flamingo pinks.... Regularly \$3.00; on \$10 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**
- ★ **VALIANT OLA** (Noyd '55) E-M-24" "Arranger's delight in yellow and white"—like a miniature Ola Kala, small white signal.... Reg. \$1; on \$10 order **65c; 3 for \$1.65**

For Arrangements—**TABLE IRIS**—May-June Bloom

Best Iris to grow for table decoration and picturesque arrangements.

- ★ **NAMBE** M-21" Blue and gold effect. Golden Empire yellow above Hortense violet; margin Empire yellow. Regularly 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3 for \$1.45; 10, \$3.75**
- ★ **WIDGET** 24" Whimsical baby white plicata, so naive you will adore it. Imagine its usefulness in arrangements.... Reg. 75c; on \$10 order **50c; 3, \$1.35; 10 for \$3.75**



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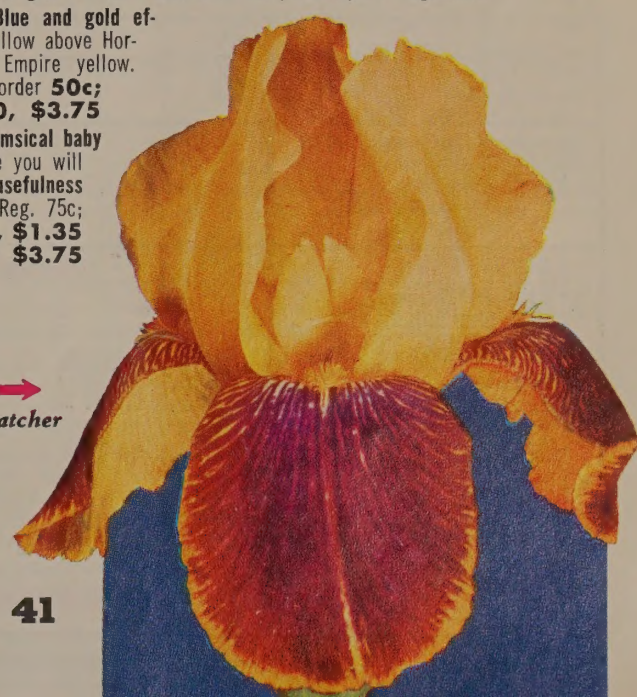
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COLOR GUIDE To 20 Types & Races of IRIS—The Rainbow Flower

TO HELP YOU PLAN ENCHANTING COLOR HARMONY IN YOUR GARDEN

Find it hard to keep up with so many new Iris each year? Like to know which are the very latest releases in each color class for certain types of Iris? Then my new 1960 COLOR GUIDE to nearly 700 varieties will be an innovation for you. Each list is arranged by year of introduction, newest varieties first. Or, perhaps you're looking for good inexpensive Iris of certain colors. No need to pore over the long alphabetical listings; merely pick some of the older kinds near ends of various lists. To lengthen your Iris season be sure to order several types and races, not just Tall Bearded! Index to varieties and subjects is on opposite page.

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PASTEL PINKS — **C**: Giant Rose; **H**: Pink Unicorn; **L**: Sugarplum; **T**: Cathedral Bells; **Ob**: L'Amohr.
PINK BLENDS — **L**: Gala; **T**: Pastel Supreme, Centennial Queen.
PINK PLICATAS — **S**: Master Neil; **W**: Pink Pinafore; **M**: Precious Gem.
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REDS

TANGERINE-BEARDED REDS — **TG**: Prairie Jewel, Garnet Glow.
RED SELFS — **S**: Ethel Peckham; **A**: Firebright, Savage, Glowport; **W**: Privateer, Technicolor; **H**: Spooned Premiere; **L**: Ruth Couffer, Trim, Bang, Red Cheffain, Crescendo, Ylem, Town Talk, Right Royal, Moulin Rouge, Defiance, Great Day, Frontier Days, Al Baba, The Mad Matter, Rosabella, Big Time, Quechee, Pacemaker, Solid Mahogany; **D**: Heatherbloom; **M**: Ruby Glow; **Ob**: Deep Crimson, Scarlet Butterfly, Mohr Affair, Sikkimohr, New Look, Alegria.
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ORANGE

TANGERINE-BEARDED APRICOTS — **S**: Memories; **A**: Double Duty, Fall Surprise; **L**: June Bride; **TG**: Flaming Beard, Top Flight, Orange Creamo, Palomino, Temple Bells, Apricot Glory, Apricot Supreme, Melody Lane; **Ob**: Peach Sherbet.
GOLDEN ORANGE SELFS & BICOLORS — **M**: Gold Intensity; **T**: Surprise Party, Mischief, Mohave Gold, Gold Sovereign; **Ob**: Gold of Ophir.
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BROWNS

BRONZE & COPPER — **A**: Generous, War Dance, Ball Gown, Molten; **C**: Fortune's Gift; **T**: Bronze Bell, Globetrotter, Bright Gem, Inca Chief, Al Borak, Copper Medallion, Golden Perch, Rainbow Room, Casa Morena; **M**: Sultan's Armour.
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BUFF TONES — **C**: Chamois; **L**: Ruffled Gem; **T**: Golden Ballet; **Ob**: Real Gold.
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YELLOWS

TANGERINE-BEARDED YELLOWS — **TG**: Flaming Gold, Chinese Lantern, Garden Gold, Techny Chimes. **ENRICHED WITH BROWN** — **A**: Halloween Night; **T**: Caramel; **Ob**: Tatai Pasha, Phosphorescent.
BRIGHT & DEEP — **A**: Guiding Star, Smoothy, Mishawaka; **W**: Summer Sun, Arcadia Buttercup; **C**: Solid Gold, Zantha; **L**: Ruth, Yellow Lace; **T**: Starfire, Gold Cup, Mellow Gold, Rare Gold, Aspenglow, Foxfire, Front Page, Gold Anthem; **D**: Orange Gint; **Ob**: Mohr Velvet, Deep Buttercup.
SOFT & LIGHT — **S**: Fall Primrose; **A**: Sally Ann; **W**: Springtime Madonna; **C**: Lover's Moon, April Showers; **H**: Horned Lace, Lacy Lantern, Horned Skylark; **L**: Limglight; **N**: Clematiflora, Thurlow Weed; **T**: Solar Maid, Miss Christine, Golden Hawk; **Ob**: Imam Salah, Nomohr, Golden Butterfly, Mohr Beauty.
PLICATAS, BITONES & BLENDS — **S**: Gibson Girl; **A**: Travertine Rose, Mount Tim; **W**: Rodeo; **C**: Grand Teton, By Line; **L**: Butterscotch Kiss; **N**: Crazy Quilt, Cuba Libre; **T**: Taholah, Cinnamon Toast, Frolic, Tabasco; **D**: Carpathia; **Ob**: Saffron Charm, Sidi Pasha.
BICOLORS — **L**: Truly Yours; **T**: Monique, Mystic Melody; **Ob**: Sun Frost, Imam Jaban, Imam Ahmid.
CREAM — **S**: Cupid's Dart; **H**: Plumed Delight; **T**: New Love, Ruffled Organdy; **Ob**: Conquest.

GREENS

CHARTREUSE OR YELLOW GREEN — **S**: Green Hope, Persian Pattern; **A**: Green Dragon; **M**: Whitone, Mohrning Dove; **G**: Nona, Chartreuse Chalice, Hot Mustard, Riviera, Green Petals, Green Halo, Green Chance, Mint Julep, Yellow Organdy, Veiled in Mystery, Char-Maize, Green Pastures, Oklahoma, Green Shadows; **Ob**: Citrine, Coronation Tapestry, Sespe, Mohr Majesty, American Modern, Green Mohr, Lady Mohr.
GREENISH WHITES — **G**: Green Tinge, Winged Goddess, Greenback, Green Ivory, White Admiral, Tranquility, Greenglow, Green Goddess; **T**: Mystic Legend.
LILAC & BRONZY GREENS — **G**: Green Hat, Blue Parakeet; **Ob**: Olive Orchid, Gray Mohr, Green Pheasant.

BLUES

TANGERINE-BEARDED BLUE — **Ob**: Blue Abalone.
EXQUISITE PALE BLUES — **L**: Blue Debut; **N**: So Sweet; **T**: Symphony, Enchanted Pearl; **M**: St. Osyth.
SKY BLUES — **S**: July Beauty; **A**: Blue Mascot; **W**: Blue Flurry; **C**: Broadripple; **N**: Sweet Mystery, Zebra, Sapphire Sea; **T**: Lady Ilse, Blue Serene, Blue Sapphire, Joan Crawford, Starlift, Beacon Hill, Celestial Blue, Cloudless Sky, Mission Starlite, Eleanor's Pride; **D**: Blue Frost; **M**: Tinkerbelle, Fairy Flax; **Ob**: Mary Valentine, Frances Craig, Crystal Clear, Blumohr, Morning Blue.
BRIGHT BLUES — **A**: Blue Surprise, Whisperwood, Fair Enough; **W**: Blue River; **N**: High Tor, Elizabeth Huntington; **T**: Blue Intensity, Melissa, Regina Maria, Celestia, Sierra Skies, Harbor Blue, Kezar Lake, Kiki, Blue Valley; **Ob**: Eastermohr.
DEEP BLUES — **W**: Bel-Air; **C**: Mary McClellan; **T**: Brave Banner, Bluebird Blue, Arabi Pasha, Pierre Menard; **M**: Fairy Flo; **Ob**: Lady Dozier.
PLICATAS & BITONES — **C**: Caroline Jane; **T**: Blue Freckles, Jan Hess, Rehobeth, Belle Meade.

BLACKS, VIOLETS, & LAVENDERS

TANGERINE-BEARDED LAVENDERS & PURPLES — **TG**: Mission Rose, Firebird, Benton Oberon, Marsala; **T**: Crispette; **Ob**: Pink Mauve Mohr.
BLACK SELFS — **A**: Black Magic; **T**: Castledwood, Tabu, Black Michael, Black Taffeta, Black Castle, Congo, Black Mischief, Black Satin, Black Hills, Black Diamond, Ebony Echo, Sable; **D**: Little Villain, Inky; **Ob**: Black Joppa.
BLACK BITONES — **T**: Bold Adventure, Deep Black, Dark Boatman, Sable Night; **Ob**: Beisan Aga.
VIOLET SELFS — **A**: Autumn Orchid; **W**: Night Patrol, Happy Valley; **C**: Giant Mohr; **F**: Rhythm, Flurry Mohr; **L**: Cutie Pie; **T**: Merry Lynn, Father Rigney, Calypso, Grecian Urn, First Violet, Violet Harmony; **D**: Violet Night, Sulina; **M**: Mirage.
PURPLE SELFS & FANCIES — **W**: December Royalty; **F**: Giant Clematis, Bella Mohr; **H**: Mulberry Snow; **N**: Mohr and More, Susiana Hybrid; **Ob**: Heather Angel, Eastmont, Mohr Courageous, Mohr Glorious, Fancywork, Elmohr, Capitola, Ib-Mac True.
VIOLET & PURPLE BITONES — **S**: Autumn Delight, August Waves; **A**: Harvest Blue, Fall Velvet Improved; **W**: Color Riot; **H**: Horned Royalty; **T**: Night 'N Day; **Ob**: Appian Way, Sayyed Yarmuk, Kalifa Hirfa, Persian Mohr, Royal Accent, Anatolia, Yussuf.
VIOLET BICOLORS — **T**: Pretender; **D**: Sparkling Eyes; **M**: Nambé.
AMETHYST SELFS & FANCIES — **A**: Moon Goddess; **W**: Orchid and Flame, Alta Rosa; **C**: Evenglow, Colossal; **F**: Clematis, Clementina; **H**: Horned Amethyst; **L**: Lacy Orchid, Orchid Ruffles, Gussie; **T**: Amethyst Flame, Ruffled Taffeta, Only This, Fancyancy; **Ob**: Madam Mohr, Night Moth, William Mohr.
LILAC BITONES & BICOLORS — **S**: Autumn Afternoon, September Sparkler, Barre Beauty, October Shadows, Autumn Twilight; **A**: September Pastel; **W**: Escapade; **C**: Witch Doctor; **H**: Spooned Fantom; **L**: Crinkled Sunset, Cliffdell; **T**: Tistops, Golden Symphony; **Ob**: Rare Pearl, Mauve Dust.
GREY & SILVER VEINED BEAUTIES — **T**: Holy Smoke; **Ob**: Engraved.

WHITES

TANGERINE-BEARDED WHITES — **A**: Lina Beth; **TG**: Arctic Blush, Gay Paree, Miss Utah, Pianissimo, New Adventure, Gay Lavinia; **M**: Tangerine Snow.
BLUE & LILAC WHITES — **A**: White Alone, Autumn Snowdrift; **F**: Pentagonal, Pinafore Lass, Dorothea, Little Freak; **T**: Oyster Pearl, Sky Crystal, Snow Flurry; **Ob**: Parachute #2.
WHITE BICOLORS — **L**: Twenty Grand; **T**: Encounter, Wide World; **Ob**: Lemon Silk.
WHITE PLICATA — **A**: Champagne Velvet, Royal Band; **H**: Unicorn; **T**: Vengeance, Happy Meetings, Bright Contrast, Dianeva, Rosy Veil; **M**: Widge; **Ob**: Punch Bowl, Mohrloff.
WHITE WITH YELLOW INFLUENCE — **S**: Yacht Club; **L**: Queen's Lace; **N**: Corsage; **T**: Butterhorn, Spring Romance.
PURE WHITES — **S**: Autumn Queen; **A**: Lady Moon, Polar King; **W**: Slick Chick, Noel; **C**: Snow Goddess, Mr. Moon; **F**: No-Top, White Parasol; **N**: White Chalice; **T**: Amazing Grace, Carissima, Swan Ballet, Easter Greetings, The Citadel, Dreamy, Lady Ruffles, Late Snow, Maid of Cotton, Wedding Bouquet; **M**: Williaw, Senorita Ilsa, Snow Maiden, Zua; **Ob**: Purissamohr.

THE RAINBOW IRIS CALENDAR — TO HELP YOU PLAN FOR CONTINUITY OF BLOOM

There is absolutely no need to be content with the VERY SHORT late spring Tall Bearded blooming season shown in BLUE. Plan your Iris order to get as nearly year-round Iris bloom as your climate will permit taking full advantage of the various extended blooming periods of other types of Iris, as shown in light RED. Send your orders as early as you can, and not later than Sept. 15 for delivery this year. Blooming time varies somewhat with latitude, elevation, weather and other factors.

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COLOSSAL IRIS

A Page of the World's Largest Iris for Sensational Features in YOUR Garden

For MAY-JUNE Bloom

I do not want to over-emphasize size alone, as Iris must have other good qualities as well. Nevertheless, I notice that the "gasps" that stop all visitors in their tracks, and immediately bring forth exclamations of surprise and wonderment, are nearly always gigantic affairs that surpass anything the onlookers have ever seen before. So if you want your garden to be a mecca for miles around, just plant a few of these magnificent new creations, scattered here and there thruout your garden. Then, at blooming time sit back and watch how quickly your visitors find all of these special Iris, and beat trails leading to them. Another suggestion is to devote a special portion of your garden to these largest and most spectacular Iris the world has ever seen. It will not matter whether you choose for this bed a hidden corner or a prominent position near the entrance—in either case your visitors will soon find them, for nothing else will draw them so magnetically, and hold their attention for so long. Try it and see for yourself! I have searched the world for the largest Iris available everywhere, and now I can offer good examples of these mammoth Iris in all colors and in all price classes. The year of introduction ranges from 1944 to 1959. The old varieties (see page 17) are, of course, not equal to the recent introductions, but they will provide plenty of excitement for the beginner until he can advance to the new super-giants.

*****Colossal STAR PERFORMER*****

THIS ONE TOPS THEM ALL

GIANT ROSE (Schreiner '59) ML-40" Nowhere else in the world will you find an Iris equal to Giant Rose in size. This is a Ripley Believe-It-or-Not Iris if there ever was one. The dimensions are so incredible that I almost hesitate to mention them for fear people will say that Iris just can't be that big, but several flowers have been measured that actually ran from 11 to 11½ inches from top to bottom! If you want an Iris that is absolutely certain to be a conversation piece, you need look no further; this is it. My crystal ball permits me to look a few years into the future and I see people gathering wherever this unprecedented flower opens its blooms. Standards bright orchid pink, falls vibrant fuchsia-rose. These huge flowers have a starchy substance, a jaunty classic form, considerable ruffling and a sparkling sheen. The stems are an inch thick and have superb candelabrum branching. Plant Patent applied for and no wonder! Be among first to display this marvel of Iris world.

*****\$20.00 each*****

FORTUNE'S GIFT (Mitch '55) M-40" Large and impressive brown. Tremendous blooms measure 7" across and 7" high. Leathery falls are 3½" across, with wide hafts. A smooth brown self with a faint reddish glow to the falls. Beard golden-bronze, often ending in a slight crest. A hybridizer's masterpiece. Particularly significant since brown flowers hardly exist in nature, yet are a superb addition to the rainbow of Iris colors. Among the elite new ones on the Judge's Choice List for '57. Pollen plentiful. HM'56 [Cordovan X Inca Chief]...Reg. \$5; on \$10 order \$3.95; 3 for \$10.05

FEATURE OFFERING in Colossal Iris

CLOUDCAP (DeForest '50) EM-40" I have reports from six states — Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Oregon, California and Tennessee — all agree this is the largest, tallest and one of the best tangerine-bearded pinks. The giant blooms will often measure up to 7 inches. A delectable, slightly ruffled blossom pink, with wide closed standards and broad falls with an enormous tangerine-red beard. Remarkable seed setter. Pollen abundant, very fertile. Cloudcap is the finest Flamingo seedparent I have ever used. It was the seedparent for 3 of my 1957 introductions, Flaming Gold, Tangerine Snow and Rose Delight, a yellow, a pure white, and a raspberry-pink, all with tangerine beards. HM'51; AM'53 [SQ72 X 6-44] See Ektachrome. Regularly \$1.50; on \$10 order \$1.00

CLOUDCAP — Largest of all Flamingo Pinks — \$1.50



GIANT MOHR — Epical — \$10.00

GIANT MOHR (Austin '58) M-44" See Ektachrome. At last an improved version of the renowned WILLIAM MOHR, that is much larger and grows on stalks twice as tall. And best of all for the hybridizer, this has abundant pollen. The picture shows that its form and veining are much like those of WILLIAM MOHR and the color is similar, too, being a deep manganese violet. Probably the largest and one of the tallest of the Mohr hybrids in existence today. The gigantic flowers are usually a full 8 inches high and the stalks regularly reach a height of 44", which is remarkable for any Oncobred. Imagine how a flower like this can help out in your breeding work with ordinary Oncobreds. A fast increaser and a very heavy bloomer. This was the sensation of our 1959 blooming season. Visitors went wild over its size and great height, and several even ordered three. This year you get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24

.....Regularly \$10; on \$15 order \$6.95; 3 for \$19.80

GRAND TETON (DeForest '56) M-38" As far as I am aware, this is the largest yellow Iris ever created. It simply took our breath away when it burst into bloom last spring. These flowers will measure 7 to 8 inches, and the falls are frequently 4 inches wide. It is prevented from being coarse by the very wide ruffled petals with excellent substance, lasting a day or two longer than usual. A near self in wax yellow with a faint wash of chartreuse. Very attractive and a fine grower. Stalks tall with 3 well spaced branches. Reported from several different parts of the country as being the largest Iris grown. It will certainly attract attention in your garden. HM'57; JC'58 [Sib. to Honor Bright X Cloudcap].....Regularly \$12.00; on \$20 order \$10.95; 3 for \$31.20

LOVER'S MOON (Porreca '59) ML-33" A 1959 introduction. It is already attracting a great deal of attention on account of its immense size and beautiful appearance. A clear lemon self even to the beard. Even the buds are so large as to be spectacular. An absolute crowd-stopper. [Amandine X Hall's apricot Sdlg. H-51].....Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order \$18.95

MARY McCLELLAN (Craig '52) M-48" With the exception of Giant Mohr, this is probably the largest Oncobred in existence. It is a mammoth vibrant deep violet-blue, flowering on stalks that reach up to 45 to 50 inches. Splendid four-way branching. Pollen plentiful. So outstanding it won the '59 Clarence G. White Memorial Award. RU-AM'58 [Blue Ox X Chivalry]Reg. \$5.00; on \$10 order \$4.50

SNOW GODDESS (Becherer '55) EM-38" A favorite of mine that appears to be the very best of the many white seedlings that have come from Snow Flurry. You will marvel at the massive heavily ruffled flowers with white petals and a yellow beard. Stalks widely branched with perfect flower placement. Won coveted Award of Merit in '58. Very much like wonderful '59 Dykes Iris Swan Ballet. In fact, I personally prefer SNOW GODDESS, which is much more plentiful, so price is more moderate. A vigorous husky grower that will be the pride of your entire garden. I can give it my highest recommendation. Not only are the flowers gigantic, wide-spreading, but usually by late summer the rhizomes, too, are simply huge. You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24. [Snow Flurry X White Goddess]Regularly \$5.00; on \$10 order \$3.95

TOP FAVORITE (Schreiner '57) ML-38" Before the arrival of Giant Rose, this was probably the largest pink Iris in existence. A magnificent and refreshing orchid-pink that is perfection itself in form and in its extremely heavy substance. Possesses a scintillating star-dust sheen that gives it an exquisite ethereal quality beyond description. This will be the pride and joy of your collection. RU-JC'58 [Pink Plume X Pathfinder].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$10 order \$7.10

For the 14 best of the older COLOSSAL Iris see page 17.

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